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I THINK IT IS REAL NICE TO TAKE.

The second annual convention of the  
county commissioners of Maine will be  
held at Bangor, next Wednesday, Jan. 22.  
County Commissioners Aiken, Richard-  
son and Hinckley will attend. All ex-  
ecutive commissioners and clerks of  
courts are also invited to attend.

## LOCAL AFFAIRS.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS THIS WEEK

Probate notice—Petition for license to sell  
real estate.  
Probate notice—Est. Edwin A. Sprague.  
W. C. Moore—Messenger's notice.  
Insolvency court—Notice of second meeting.  
William Fennelly—Messenger's notice.  
James T. Johnson—Messenger's notice.  
George A. Parker—Fung for sale.  
M. Eastert—Clearance sale.  
Probate notice—Petition for license to sell  
real estate.  
Probate notice—Accounts filed for settlement.  
Insolvency court—Notice of second meeting.  
George J. Stafford—Notice of his appoint-  
ment as assignee.  
S. H. Higgins—Marble works.  
J. A. Hale—Stationery.  
**NORTH ELLSWORTH**  
Martin Alley—Caution notice.  
**NORTH LAMORSE**  
L. E. White—Position as nurse.  
**ORLAND**  
Frank W. Gross—Notice of foreclosure.  
**WINTER HARBOR**  
The Schoodic Peninsula Land Co.—Invest-  
ment in real estate.  
**BELFAST, ME.**  
Carle & Jones—Wall paper and curtains.

As a bell without a clapper,  
Useless and forgotten lies,  
So doth the business of the man  
Who will never advertise.

Miss Inez Dorr is visiting in Bangor.  
E. G. Smith is in Boston on business.  
C. D. Carter has been appointed post-  
master at West Ellsworth.

The Ellsworth Pickaninies appeared at  
Hancock Tuesday evening.

A new laundry has been started here by  
Mrs. M. Linnehan in the Coombs block.

The list of new books at the city library  
will be published in next week's issue of  
THE AMERICAN.

The Ladies' aid society will give a circle  
and supper at the Free Baptist vestry this  
(Wednesday) evening.

There will be a teachers' meeting at the  
School street grammar school Friday  
afternoon of this week at 2 o'clock.

Harry Hinkley, of Bluehill, a graduate  
of the academy, class of '95, entered the  
employ of Whiting Bros. last Monday  
morning.

Members of the board of trade are  
earnestly requested to be present at the  
adjourned meeting on Friday evening,  
Jan. 17, at 7.30.

The January term of the supreme court  
will convene next Tuesday, Jan. 21. Judge  
L. A. Emery will preside. This will be  
the civil term.

Miss Crosby's class for the study of  
Tennyson's "Idylls of the King" will have  
its first meeting at the home of Mrs. A.  
P. Wiswell, Saturday, Jan. 18, at 3 p. m.

The Methodist Sunday school is pre-  
paring to give a concert some time in the  
near future. Committees were appointed  
to take charge of the matter last Sunday.

The firemen were called out Saturday  
evening by a burning chimney in I. M.  
Grant's house on Bridge hill, large sparks  
from which threatened adjacent build-  
ings.

Special revival services are being held  
at the Methodist church this week, at  
7 o'clock every evening, except Saturday.  
These services will probably be continued  
for several weeks.

Quarterly conference was held at the  
Methodist church Saturday morning.  
Presiding Elder H. W. Norton presiding.  
Herbert N. Moore, of Hancock, received a  
local preacher's license.

The Reed's Pond and Brimmer's Bridge  
schools closed Friday. The schools in  
districts Nos. 7, 8, and 9, at North Ells-  
worth, and 10 and 11 at West Ellsworth,  
close Friday of this week.

Next Saturday afternoon and on Satur-  
day of the week following there will be a  
sale of food at Miss Hight's store on  
Main street. The proceeds will be  
devoted to charitable work.

At a meeting of the Maine veterinary  
medical association at the Preble house,  
Portland, Tuesday evening, Dr. W. L.  
West, of this city, was unanimously elected  
secretary of the association.

Miss Mae Friend left Monday for Bos-  
ton, where she will study instrumental  
music. She was accompanied by her  
parents, Mr. and Mrs. David Friend, who  
will spend the week in Boston.

The officers of Acadia chapter, Royal  
Arch, were installed Tuesday evening by  
Past High Priest James E. Parsons. Fol-  
lowing the installation the Mark degree  
was worked on two candidates.

George H. Grant, of this city, and  
Wellington Barbour, of Bar Harbor, have  
sold their interests in the shoe business  
of Grant, Barbour & Ladd, at Bar Harbor,  
to Charles C. Ladd, the junior member of  
the firm.

The remains of Judson Gray, who died  
at Penobscot last Wednesday, were  
brought to this city for interment. De-  
ceased had relatives here, where he for-  
merly resided. A short obituary notice  
may be found in the Penobscot news.

F. S. Crabtree, formerly station agent  
at Ellsworth, and recently at New Lin-  
erick, on the Bangor & Aroostook road,  
has been appointed ticket seller at Burn-  
ham, the junction of the Belfast branch  
with the main line of the Maine Central.

John H. Leland caught the little finger  
of his left hand in the cogs of a drilling  
machine Tuesday afternoon, crushing it  
so that amputation was necessary. Dr.  
W. M. Haines performed the amputation,  
taking off the finger near the hand, but  
saving the knuckle joint.

Charles O. Byrn, of this city, and Miss  
Lucille Sweeney, daughter of Robert F.  
Sweeney, formerly of this city, were  
married at Bangor Wednesday of last  
week, by Rev. C. H. Cutler. Ellsworth  
friends of both bride and groom extend  
earnest congratulations.

Dirigo hose company, at its annual  
meeting on Monday evening of last week,  
elected officers as follows: C. J. Brown,  
foreman; C. E. Sinclair, second foreman;  
C. H. Leland, clerk; J. A. Stuart, treas-  
urer. Harry Stratton and Able Friend

were elected to membership. The treas-  
urer's report showed that the company  
was in excellent financial condition.

Officers of Spofford lodge, A. O. U. W. of  
Penobscot, were installed last Saturday  
evening, Past Grand Master Workman  
Parker Spofford, of Bucksport, officiated,  
assisted by District Deputy Grand Mas-  
ter John F. Knowlton, and Past Grand  
Master Workman James E. Parsons, of  
this city. Mr. Parsons was accompanied to  
Penobscot by his wife.

The officers of Wivurna Encampment,  
No. 47, I. O. O. F., were installed Monday  
evening, by District Deputy Grand Pa-  
triarch Henry B. Thoms, of Bangor, as G. J.  
W. The officers are as follows: Frank  
E. Gray, C. P.; Frank S. Call, H. P.; L.  
W. Jordan, S. W.; Lynwood F. Giles,  
scribe; Charles A. Allen, treasurer;  
Charles E. Alexander, J. W.; William J.  
Logan, guide; John A. Lord, I. S.; W. C.  
Bellatty, O. S.; A. M. Joy and W. R.  
Parker, G. of T.; Herman Hill, 1st W.; J.  
W. Nealley, 2d W.; E. D. Carr, 3d W.; F.  
H. Osgood, 4th W. After the installation  
oyster stew was served, and cigars were  
lighted.

Among visitors to the city during the  
past week were W. F. Cooke, W. B.  
Blaisdell, H. Webb, John P. Gordon,  
Franklin, John Pasule, R. W. Smith,  
Brooklin, Horace Perkins, Penobscot;  
O. D. Gordon, Will R. Havey, West Sul-  
livan; O. H. Buzzell, Amherst; Mrs.  
Nettie Valentine, Sullivan; G. W. But-  
ler, A. Bisset, Bluehill; A. J. Saunders,  
Orland; S. H. Dority, Sedgwick.

Clerk-of-Courts John F. Knowlton ar-  
rived home Monday from Boston, with  
his son Charles. On Saturday Mr.  
Knowlton was entertained at Lake Ala-  
mosook; he witnessed some exciting ice  
boating, and incidentally participated in  
some exciting boating himself. The boat  
on which he was sailing struck open wa-  
ter. No one on board was injured, but  
all were drenched. The mast of the boat  
was carried away.

F. Carrol Burrill, son of C. C. Burrill, of  
this city, is a member of the executive  
committee of the "Maine State club,"  
organized by the Maine students at Bos-  
ton university. Two other students of  
Hancock county are also represented in  
the board of officers, Miss L. Belle Smal-  
ridge, of Northeast Harbor, being cor-  
responding secretary, and Miss Lina B.  
Taylor, of Sullivan, one of the executive  
committees.

Miss Bertha B. Curtis, daughter of Mr.  
and Mrs. A. W. Curtis, and Hollis B.  
Estey, of this city, were married at the  
home of the bride this (Wednesday)  
forenoon. Rev. D. L. Yale performed the  
ceremony. The wedding was very quiet,  
only relatives and a very few intimate  
friends being present. Mr. and Mrs.  
Estey left on the noon train for a short  
wedding trip. Both the bride and groom  
have many friends, who join in congrat-  
ulations.

The ladies of the mission circle and  
parish of the Congregational church are  
invited to meet at Mrs. A. W. Clark's, on  
Park street, this (Thursday) afternoon  
from 2 to 5. The object of this meeting  
is to consider how to increase the con-  
tribution of this society to aid Dr. Grace  
Kimball in her relief work in Armenia.  
The ladies are requested to come prepared  
to sew. Some reports of the work in  
Armenia will be read and a four o'clock  
tea served. Each lady is requested to  
bring 10 cents.

The annual meeting of the Woman's  
club was held at the home of Mrs. John  
M. Hale last Saturday. Officers chosen  
for the ensuing year were as follows:  
Mrs. Alma T. Whittemore, president;  
Mrs. A. F. Greely, first vice-president;  
Mrs. John Cheney, second vice-president;  
Mrs. Fannie J. Campbell, secretary; Mrs.  
John M. Hale, treasurer; Mrs. Annie M.  
Mason, Mrs. E. K. Hopkins, Mrs. John  
A. Peters, jr., executive committee. The  
new president's address will appear in  
full in THE AMERICAN next week.

At the annual meeting of Ellsworth  
council, No. 277, Royal Arcanum, last  
Friday evening, officers for the ensuing  
year were elected as follows: F. B.  
Aiken, regent; E. G. Smith, vice-regent;  
A. W. King, orator; I. L. Haiman, sitting  
past regent; O. W. Tapley, secretary; F.  
A. Coombs, collector; J. E. Parsons,  
treasurer; W. A. Alexander, chaplain;  
J. W. Coughlin, guide; Lewis Friend,  
warden; F. L. Mason, sentry; A. F.  
Burham, Lewis Friend, S. D. Wiggins,  
trustees. The council is in a prosperous  
condition.

Superintendent-of-Schools E. W. Lord  
was surprised a few days ago to receive  
a handsome book from a newspaper pub-  
lished in London, Eng. He was unable to  
account for such liberality until he re-  
called that several months ago he had  
read in the paper of a prize being offered  
for the best poem on some incident oc-  
curring in a church, and on the impulse  
of the moment he had sent a little poem  
which he had read in lodge some time be-  
fore. He had entirely forgotten it until  
the receipt of the book called it to mind.  
Searching through the paper he found his  
little poem, "Why the Sermon Stop-  
ped," with the announcement that E. W.  
Lord, poet of Ellsworth, Maine, U. S. A.,  
had won the prize.

Owing to meetings of lodges and other  
societies on Monday evening, the atten-  
dance on the board of trade meeting was  
small, and it was decided to adjourn un-  
til Friday evening of this week. Before  
adjournment a letter was read from J. A.  
Hooper, a mill-owner of Dixon, Ohio.  
Mr. Hooper wrote that the lumber in his  
locality was exhausted, and he wanted to  
dispose of saw-mill and machinery. He  
asked about the lumber in the vicinity of  
Ellsworth, and said: "In case you have  
pieces of good timber, and I do not suc-  
ceed in disposing of my mill, possibly I  
might look to you for help." The letter  
was referred to the committee on man-  
ufactures. At the meeting Friday evening  
officers will be elected for the ensuing  
year, and a large attendance is desired.

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locks winter's icy fetters and releases  
Ellsworth's shipping, the staunch little  
steamer "Hector," Capt. Benjamin Arey,  
of Brewer, will steam up Union river  
and announce herself ready for the  
business of carrying freight to connect  
with the boats of the Bluehill steamboat  
company at Surry, of towing vessels in  
and out of the river, and of occasionally  
carrying gay excursion parties out by  
daylight or moonlight for a sail down  
the river and among the islands.

The people of Ellsworth, particularly  
the merchants and factories, will warmly  
welcome the new comer. The need of a  
regular freight boat direct to the city has  
long been felt. The distance to the Surry  
landing, and the rough road over which

### Village Improvement Society.

The ladies of the village improvement  
society, of Ellsworth, will give a party in  
Odd Fellows' hall on the evening of  
January 22.

The admission fee will be 35 cents, and  
during the evening refreshments will be  
served.

The interest manifested by the ladies of  
the city in the work which the name of  
the organization implies is to be com-  
mended, and it is earnestly hoped that  
their efforts to secure funds to prosecute  
the work in the spring will be heartily  
seconded by the public in general.

Clinton D. Gaskell, of this city, and  
Mrs. Cora F. Wheelden, of Brewer, were  
married by Rev. J. T. Crosby Saturday  
evening.

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### HIGH SCHOOL NOTES.

The first declamations of the term will  
be given Friday.

Walter Foster '93, and John Abram, '95,  
left the high school to enter the commer-  
cial school.

The number of students this term is  
124, and, as last term, many are compelled  
to study out of school.

Miss Maude A. Scott, '96, will entertain  
the members of her class at a party at  
her home on Friday evening.

An effort is being made to form a  
school orchestra. As there is considerable  
musical talent in the school, and several  
of the students play different instru-  
ments, an orchestra of some pretensions  
might be formed.

The lyceum was organized Friday after-  
noon. The officers elected were: Joseph  
H. Woodward, '96, president; Harry L.  
Crabtree, '96, vice-president; Frank H.  
Lowell, '97, second vice-president;  
Charles Burke, '97, secretary; Charles  
Campbell, '97, treasurer. C. E. Bellatty,  
who was president last term, refused re-  
nomination.

Officers of Donagua lodge, K. of P.,  
were installed last Wednesday evening.  
The names of officers appeared in THE  
AMERICAN two weeks ago. Following  
the installation oyster stew was served.

### Children Cry for Pitcher's Castoria.

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## COUNTY NEWS.

For additional County News see other pages.

THE AMERICAN has subscribers at 106 of the 116 post-offices in Hancock county; all the other papers in the county combined do not reach so many. THE AMERICAN is not the only paper printed in Hancock county, and has never claimed to be, but it is the only paper that can properly be called a COUNTY paper; all the rest are merely local papers. The circulation of THE AMERICAN, barring the Bar Harbor Record's summer list, is larger than that of all the other papers printed in Hancock county.

## Bismarck.

Mrs. Frederick W. Darling died Sunday, Jan. 5.

Mrs. James Varnum is visiting in Brooksville.

Mr. Burrill, of North Dakota, is visiting his sister, Mrs. E. L. Gross.

The young people danced the old year out and the new year in at Kane's hall.

Walter R. Butler gave a party to the young people Thursday evening, Jan. 2.

Dr. Nye, formerly of Brooksville, is visiting Mr. Perkins, of South Penobscot.

The G. A. R. post held its annual installation of officers and supper Saturday evening, Jan. 4.

George Robinson, formerly of this place, died in Rockland Friday, Jan. 3. The body was brought here for burial Sunday.

Thursday evening, Jan. 2, the Odd Fellows held their annual installation of officers, followed by a supper at which the ladies were present.

Mrs. H. P. Hinckley gave her husband a surprise party Thursday evening, Jan. 2. The following were present: Judge E. E. Chase and wife, H. B. Darling and wife, A. C. Hinckley and wife, Capt. J. W. Kane and wife, Dr. R. P. Grindle and wife, A. M. Herrick and wife, Miss Fannie Stover, Miss Emma Osgood and I. E. Stanley.

Jan. 6. K.

Merrill Hinckley was in Ellsworth last week.

The Rockland steamer arrived Sunday at 2 p. m.

Thomas Cole and wife, of Surry, were in town Sunday.

John M. Snow returned home from Boston Saturday.

Dr. R. P. Grindle and wife were in Somerville last week.

Eben W. Mayo and wife celebrated their crystal wedding Monday.

The dance in Kane's hall Saturday night was not largely attended.

The republican club meets at Kane's hall Tuesday evening to elect officers.

Harry A. Hinckley, who has been clerking for Merrill & Hinckley, has gone to Ellsworth to work for Whiting Bros.

Mrs. John M. Snow entertained a party of ladies Friday evening at the Pendleton house, and all had a very enjoyable time.

Jan. 13. K.

At the annual meeting of the Hancock county agricultural society, Jan. 1, the following board of directors was chosen: E. C. Leach, J. O. Bowden, W. J. Creamer, E. E. Chase and E. L. Osgood. At a meeting of the directors the following officers were chosen: E. P. Merrill, president, George S. Osgood, vice-president, Nahum Hinckley, secretary, M. P. Hinckley, treasurer. Trotting dates at Mountain park were fixed for June 3, July 1, August 19. The date of the annual fair will be fixed later.

DeBham.

Mrs. Alice Terry, of Massachusetts, is visiting her parents here.

Mrs. Mary Turner is visiting her brothers and other relatives in Lynn, Mass.

Charles W. Debeck has closed his blacksmith shop here and gone to Eddington to work.

Frank White, of North Orland, is very ill with bright's disease. Dr. Richardson attends him.

Misses Gertrude and Gladys Eldridge are visiting their sister, Mrs. A. B. Burrill, of Ellsworth.

D. S. Burrill, who has been confined to the house several weeks with tonsillitis, is recovering.

Miss Gertrude Burrill, who spent the holidays at home, has returned to her school in Bangor.

G. L. Moor & Son, of Bangor, have bought about 100 tons of hay in this vicinity and are having it pressed, to be delivered at Holden station for shipment to Bangor and Bar Harbor markets.

Jan. 10. B.

Atlanta.

Mrs. Eva Colony moved into her new house on New Year's day.

Mrs. Annie Staples gave a party to a number of invited guests Friday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Reuben Gray are housekeeping in their new house, just completed.

Clarence Joyce, of Gott's Island, made a short visit to his father, Oliver L. Joyce, who has been quite ill.

Jan. 7. S.

Mount Desert Ferry.

F. C. Moon has been quite ill for some time.

Capt. S. P. Moon and wife and nephew, George A. Phillips, were in Ellsworth Saturday.

In a recent issue of THE AMERICAN, it was reported that the schooner "May Queen" dragged foul of the "Mary Augusta," of Ellsworth. This was an error. The Ellsworth vessel came down on the "May Queen," breaking her flying jibboom and otherwise damaging her about the bow.

Jan. 13. YANKAPOO.

## Northeast Harbor.

The Huntington cottage is being plastered by Graves Bros.

Plumbers from Philadelphia are doing the plumbing on the Frazier cottage.

C. A. Kimball, who is spending the winter in Boston, was in town Sunday.

Mrs. E. M. Dodge, of Tremont, is spending the winter with her daughter, Mrs. J. A. Peckham.

The ice-cream social at Good Templars' hall, Thursday evening, Jan. 2, netted \$12 for the Baptist Christian Endeavor society.

The steamers "Frank Jones" and "Mt. Desert" have hauled off for the winter and the "Silver Star" is on the route from Rockland.

Mr. Thorp, who is having a cottage built at Greening's Island, has been here the past week. He was well satisfied with what is being done. He contracted to have an artesian well drilled this winter. While here he bought a boat of L. A. Clark.

Jan. 6. J. A. P.

FRAZIER-PECKHAM.

Miss Ada Frazier, daughter of Charles H. Frazier, and William Marvin Peckham, only son of J. A. Peckham, all of Northeast Harbor, were married at "St. Mary's-by-the-Sea" on Christmas evening.

The ceremony in the pretty little church, which was beautifully decorated for the occasion with evergreen and holly, was one of the prettiest ever seen in this place. The ceremony was witnessed by many friends and relatives.

At 8 o'clock the bridal party entered the church and passed up the aisle under the arches of evergreen to the altar. The bride procession was led by the maid of honor, Miss Catherine Frazier, and the three bridesmaids, Misses Adeline Smallidge, Maude Smallidge and Catherine Reed, with the ushers, Isaac Ralph, Forest Moore, Lynam Haskell and Eugene Lamson.

The bride followed, on the arm of her father. She wore a gown of white satin, with bridal veil, and carried a bouquet of chrysanthemums.

At the altar the bride was met by the groom and the best man, Alvah Reed. The bride and groom stood beneath a large bell of evergreen, about the edge of which were lighted candles. The ceremony was performed by Rev. J. R. Norwood.

After the ceremony there was a reception at the home of the bride. The bride was the recipient of many handsome presents.

After a few weeks spent with friends at Gouldsboro they will return to Northeast Harbor, where they will make their home with the bride's parents.

Four sisters of the groom, with their husbands, with the exception of one, N. S. Kingsley, of West Gouldsboro, were present at the wedding. They were M. W. Paine and wife, M. E. Salisbury and wife, of Bar Harbor, C. E. Bunker and wife, of this place, and Mrs. N. S. Kingsley, of West Gouldsboro. It was the first time they had been together at home in ten years.

Jan. 2. SPEC.

Franklin.

The high school opens with nearly forty students.

Z. L. Wilbur and wife returned from Lewiston Saturday.

William H. Blaisdell is at home for the winter from Bar Harbor.

Mrs. Nettie Dyer is making a short stay with friends at Fairfield.

Mrs. Charles Gordon has gone to Portland hospital for treatment.

Miss Lizzie Perkins is at home from Massachusetts for the winter.

The "Beggars," a society of young people, will meet with Mrs. Angie Fernald Thursday afternoon.

Miss Cassilena Springer left Friday for an extended visit, during her vacation, in Portland and Boston.

Frank E. Blaisdell has returned from Portland. His eye is much improved, but he will have to be careful in the use of it for some time.

The season of giving and receiving was the occasion of an unusual surprise to Master Carroll Dunn. Last summer he befriended a sick, penniless sailor in our harbor, by directing him to a house where he could obtain a bowl of crackers and milk. This little act of kindness, quite forgotten by the lad, was recalled at Christmas by a letter from his sailor friend with an inclosure of one dollar.

Jan. 5. B.

Eastbrook.

Mrs. Harriet Dyer is on the sick list.

A. K. Dyer and wife have commenced housekeeping.

Fred Billings and family have moved in their new house.

Johnnie E. DeMeyer has gone to Surry, where he will attend the high school.

Mrs. Julia Ash has gone to West Sullivan to spend the winter with her son, Harvey Ash.

Fred E. Dyer has returned from Deer Isle, where he was engaged learning photography. Mr. Dyer is erecting a photograph gallery near his home.

Jan. 4. B.

Sound.

MEMORIAL RESOLUTIONS.

The following resolutions were adopted by Hillsdale lodge, I. O. of G. T., Jan. 9:

Whereas, It has pleased God in His allwise providence to remove from our midst our beloved sister, Mrs. Nancy J. Ellis, whose sudden death has cast a gloom over Hillsdale lodge, therefore

Resolved, That in this, our first call to mourn a member promoted to the grand lodge above, we bow in humble submission to the will of God, and murmur not.

Resolved, That we extend our heartfelt sympathy to our brother, the bereaved husband, and all other relatives.

Resolved, That our charter and regalia be draped in mourning thirty days, and that a copy of these resolutions be inscribed on our records, and one sent to THE ELLSWORTH AMERICAN for publication.

FLORA BORDEAUX, )  
GENEVA D. SARGENT, ) Com.  
MELISSA RICHARDSON, )

## Sorrento.

E. R. Connors recently spent a few days in Portland on business.

Sadie, the only daughter of Calvin Jackson, died Dec. 26, after an illness of almost a year.

Mrs. Jessie Higgins, who is spending the winter months with her sister at "Spruce Grove," is making a short visit with her relatives in Hull's Cove and vicinity.

M. P. Cleaves' trotting mare Mamie broke from her fastening while hitched in front of Connors' store the other day, and for a few minutes made things lively. Fortunately no damage was done.

The Willing Workers were entertained by Mrs. Cleaves at "Spruce Grove," on Thursday of last week. A substantial supper of beans and brown bread was served to some fifty guests. The evening was pleasantly passed in playing games, etc.

The pie sociable given by the Willing Workers at "Hotel Downing" Tuesday of last week, was really the event of the season. The entertainment, which was handled "with gloves" by Mr. Cleaves, consisting of vocal and instrumental music, reading, recitations, etc., is worthy of no little praise. The songs rendered by Mrs. Connors were exceptionally fine, also the reading by S. R. Downing.

Jan. 6. C.

West Sullivan.

The thermometer stood 18 degrees below zero here on Monday morning, Jan. 6.

The primary school closed Dec. 27. Mrs. Sara Abbott taught with her usual success. This is her third term. Miss Bertha Hovey was assistant.

The grammar school concert, given by Mr. Whitney and his pupils, assisted by Arthur Bunker, was very well rendered. About \$15 was realized for the school library.

David A. Hooper left home on Saturday night to spend the winter in Georgia. His many friends hope he will return greatly improved in health. He was accompanied by his brother, Arthur Hooper.

Rev. J. A. Weed's first sermon for the New Year was full of earnest thought, practical and helpful. Mr. Weed's fifth and last year as pastor of the Methodist church is drawing to a close. He has been a faithful and efficient laborer. The church membership has more than doubled under his charge. Rev. E. E. Morse, of the Baptist church, is also an earnest and successful pastor.

Jan. 6. G.

John Springer was in Bangor Friday.

Warren Tracey and sister spent Sunday in Steuben.

The infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George O. Hooper died last week.

Mrs. Mira Springer is visiting her mother in Bar Harbor, who is very ill.

Jan. 13. G.

Aurora.

P. Abbott, of Beddington, was in town last week.

Mrs. Myrtle Silsby has returned to Portland.

Mrs. Charles Silsby is visiting relatives in Bangor.

Miss Abbie Crosby has gone to Bangor to attend school.

Herbert Silsby was in Beddington Friday on business.

A daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Rowe Jan. 4.

Mrs. Maggie Silsby, who has been visiting relatives in Beddington, returned home last week.

Jan. 9. C.

Waltham.

Asa Colby was at Hancock Saturday.

Miss Nettie Blake is with her sister, Mrs. Carrie Jordan, for a few days.

Miss Hattie Jordan and friend, Miss Leslie, of Ellsworth Falls, were in town a few days.

Miss Ardella Haslem spent Saturday and Sunday with her mother, Mrs. Mattie Dunham.

The pretty home of Alvah Haslem was the scene of much enjoyment Saturday evening, when the card club was entertained. The first prizes were won by George Stanley and Edna Jordan; the booby prizes, by Bert Jordan and Zella Colby.

Jan. 6. H.

Miss Nettie Blake has returned to Lamaine.

The stage driver lost a horse Saturday by breaking its leg.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Grindle are happy over the arrival of a son.

Alden Haslem started for the woods Tuesday with a crew of men.

Miss Alice Jordan and sister, Mrs. Dunham, visited Amherst Sunday.

The card club was very pleasantly entertained Saturday evening by the Misses Annie and Effie Cook. The first prizes were won by Bert Jordan and Walter Colby, the booby prizes by E. N. DeBeck and Alice Jordan.

Jan. 13. H.

Maginville.

The hearse-house is up and boarded.

Sewing circle will meet Thursday, Jan. 16, at Mary Carr's.

Edwin Frost, who was married recently, is housekeeping in his own house.

Mrs. Lucretia Young, who has been in Portland during the summer and fall, has returned home.

Mrs. Phoebe Moore is in town visiting her aunt, Mrs. Lois Frost. This is her first visit here in twenty-three years.

Jan. 10. S.

Ship Building at Milbridge.

Sawyer Bros., Milbridge, have more confidence and enterprise than most Maine shipbuilders. They have built considerable tonnage in the past year and now have a crew in the woods getting out the frame for a 250-ton three-masted schooner.

Truth is everlasting, but our ideas of truth are not.

## ELLSWORTH MARKETS.

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 15, 1896.

MAINE LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS AND BUREAU. A bushel of Liverpool salt shall weigh 56 pounds, and a bushel of Turks Island salt shall weigh 70 pounds. The standard weight of a bushel of potatoes, in good order and fit for shipping, is 40 pounds. Of wheat, beans, rye, buckwheat and peas, 40 pounds; of corn, 56 pounds; of onions, 52 pounds; of carrots, English turnips, rye, and Indian meal, 50 pounds; of barley and buckwheat, 48 pounds; of oats 32 pounds, or even measure as by agreement.

## Country Produce.

Beans. Improved Yellow Eye, per bush.....2.50  
Peas, hand picked, per bush.....2.00

Peas. Improved, per bush (seed).....2.50

Butter. Creamery per lb.....30  
Dairy.....22 25

Cheese. Best factory (new) per lb.....15  
Best dairy (new).....15  
Dutch (imported).....1.10

Eggs. Eggs are lower.  
Fresh laid, per doz.....20

Hay. Best loose, per ton.....10 12  
Baled.....14 16

Straw. Loose.....7 8  
Baled.....10 12

Vegetables. Beets, per bu.....50  
Cabbage, per bu.....50  
Onions, native, per bu.....50  
Onions, pk.....50  
Squash, per bu.....50  
Pumpkins, per bu.....50  
Cranberries, qt.....10

Groceries. Coffee, per lb.....50  
Rice, per lb.....50  
Mocha, per lb.....50  
Java, per lb.....50  
Tea, per lb.....50  
Sugar, per lb.....50  
Oolong, per lb.....50  
Granulated, per lb.....50  
Coffee-A & B, per lb.....50  
Yellow-C, per lb.....50  
Molasses, per gal.....50  
Havana, per lb.....50  
Porto Rico, per lb.....50  
Turks Island, per lb.....50  
Syrup, per lb.....50  
Maple S, cup, per qt.....50

Lumber and Building Materials. Lumber, per M.....50  
Hemlock boards, per M.....50  
Spruce, per M.....50  
Spruce floor, per M.....50  
Pine, per M.....50  
Matched pine, per M.....50  
Shingles, per M.....50  
Cedar, extra, per M.....50  
"one, 2 1/2 inch, per M.....50  
"No. 1, 2 1/2 inch, per M.....50  
"No. 2, 2 1/2 inch, per M.....50  
Spruce, per M.....50

Provisions. Poultry of all kinds is higher.  
Steak, beef, lb.....50  
Fresh Pork, lb.....50  
Round, lb.....50  
Veal, per lb.....50  
Roasts, lb.....50  
Beef, corned, per lb.....50  
Tongue, lb.....50  
Salt Pork, per lb.....50  
Lard, per lb.....50  
Pigs Feet, per lb.....50  
Pork sausage, lb.....50

Fish. Mackerel, large, apiece.....50  
Dry Cod, lb.....50  
Haddock, lb.....50  
Mackerel, lb.....50  
Herring, per doz.....50  
Fresh, per lb.....50  
Halibut, lb.....50  
Cod, lb.....50  
Haddock, lb.....50  
Herring, lb.....50  
S. M. lb.....50  
Pickled, lb.....50  
Smelts, lb.....50

Fuel. Wood, per cord.....50  
Dry, lb.....50  
Hickory, lb.....50  
Roundings, per load.....50  
1,000 lb. 25  
Nuts, lb.....50  
Hickory, lb.....50

Flour, Grain and Feed. Flour, per bu.....50  
Straight, lb.....50  
St. Louis roller, lb.....50  
Pat-n-s, lb.....50  
Winter wheat, lb.....50  
S. M. lb.....50  
Corn in ear, per bu.....50  
Corn, full weight, per bu.....50  
Oats, per bu.....50  
Oats, per qt.....50

Hides and Tallow. Hides advance slightly.  
Hides, per lb.....50  
Ox, lb.....50  
Cow, lb.....50  
Calf skins, green, lb.....50  
Pelts, lb.....50  
Lamb skins, lb.....50

Seeds. Herds Grass, per lb.....50  
Red Top, per lb.....50  
Lawn seed, lb.....50

Fresh Fruit. Apples are scarce, and prices range from \$3 to \$4 per barrel.  
Lemons, per doz.....50  
Oranges, per doz.....50  
Havana oranges, doz.....50  
Bananas, lb.....50

Dried Fruit. Figs, lb.....50  
Dates, lb.....50  
Raisins, lb.....50  
Prunes, lb.....50

Nuts. Almonds, per lb.....50  
Peanuts, per lb.....50  
Brazil, per lb.....50

West Brooksville.

E. D. Tapley has finished his school at Cranberry Isles and is at home.

Mrs. James Varnum, of New Haven, Conn., who has been visiting relatives in town, has returned home.

Miss Lucy Jones has returned from Belfast, where she has been stopping for some weeks with her brother, Fred L. Jones.

The names of eight of the young people of this village were added to the membership of the Congregational church, Sunday, Jan. 5.

Mrs. Sarah L. Douglass and daughter, Mrs. O. L. Tapley, who have been for some time in Everett, Mass., have returned home.

Dr. L. A. Stewart, of Boston, has located in town, and with his family, consisting of wife, son, and mother, has taken for the season the house owned by Ernest Shepardson of this village. Although Dr. Stewart has been with us but a short time, he has already won many warm friends.

Jan. 13. H.

Advertisements.

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## Cheap Newspapers.

The newspaper which has no uniform rate for advertising space, and is satisfied to take what it can get for it, is a cheap advertising medium, and the advertiser need expect nothing but cheap results.—Lawrenceburg (Ind.) Press.

## The County Tax.

In the statement of the county tax as it appeared in last week's AMERICAN, the tax against the towns of Sorrento and Winter Harbor did not appear, but was included in that of the old towns of Sullivan and Gouldsboro. This was due to the fact that the tax was assessed in March against the old towns, and the division between the towns was made afterwards, and the tax apportioned according to the provision of the act.

This did not appear in the schedule published, but will appear in the county report soon to be issued.

## Two Old Cronies.

The Machias Union says:  
 The ELLSWORTH AMERICAN, which entered upon its forty-second year Jan. 2, ought to feel proud of the record it has made. Congratulations.

Thanks, Union. We're almost the same age, and when the Shore Line makes us nearer neighbors, we'll have to have a jollification together, for the sake of old times.

THE ELLSWORTH AMERICAN entered upon its forty-second year January 2. This is a good record by a good paper.—Border News.

In its New Year's edition the Lewiston Journal asked these two questions:

What should Maine wish and work for most in 1907?

What would it be for her happiest interest to get rid of in 1907?

It wrote to prominent men and women all over the State for answers. Here are two of them:

First—To stimulate habits of industry and economy, so that every citizen will earn more than he spends.

Second—Every notion of even partial repudiation of any obligation, private or public.

L. A. EMERY.

First—The nomination and election of Hon. Thomas B. Reed to the presidency of the United States.

Second—All narrow local jealousies that tend in any way to retard the development of Maine resources and the promotion of the prosperity of the whole State.

E. C. BURLEIGH.

Robert Gerry, of the Falls, is a pretty good democrat, and he has a son away out in Pasco, Washington, who is also a pretty good democrat, but evidently he likes to have nice things said about his native State of Maine, so he sends us a copy of the Seattle Post-Intelligencer, from which we clip the following:

The State of Maine probably exerts more influence in Congress than any other state in the Union. To-day she has the speakership and three important committee chairmanships. It is principally due to the fact that when she sends to Washington city a representative who is above the average, he is kept there.

The appointment of Col. E. C. Stevens to the position of superintendent of public buildings can but

meet with the hearty approval of every citizen who is desirous of having the offices filled by honest and competent men. No more faithful and painstaking official can be found in the whole State, and Governor Cleaves is to be commended for his wise selection. Probably no one was more surprised at the appointment than Col. Stevens himself, and this is really one of those cases where the office sought the man.

Senator Hale has introduced a bill authorizing the post-master general to contract with the Pacific Cable Co. for the construction of a telegraph cable between San Francisco and Honolulu, Hawaii, the United States to pay the company annually a sum of three to four per cent. of the amount expended each year by the company. The contract is to continue for twenty years and the line is to be completed by July 1, 1897. It is also stipulated that the government may come into ownership of the proposed line by paying the cost price for it with five per cent. added.

## PUBLIC INSTALLATION.

Odd Fellows Invite Their Lady Friends—Dance and Supper.

For the first time since the completion of the new Odd Fellows building, the lodge-room was opened to the wives and sweethearts of the members last Friday evening. The occasion was the installation of the newly-elected officers.

The large hall on the second floor was used as a reception-room early in the evening, while lodge business was being conducted, prior to the installation exercises.

At 8:30 the doors were thrown open, and the presence of the ladies was requested. To the stirring strains of a march played by H. E. Kelly, the guests of the evening entered the lodge-room, the members rising, and receiving them in "due form."

At 9 o'clock the grand officers made their appearance under the direction of the grand marshal of the evening, Fred Haskell. They were Deputy-Grand Master H. E. Hill, who acted as installing officer, and Messrs. Carr, Osgood and Parker.

The new officers are:  
 Henry W. Cook, N. G.  
 Charles E. Alexander, V. G.  
 Fred L. Mason, secretary.  
 E. F. Robinson, treasurer.

After these officers had been formally installed, Mr. Cook made the following appointments of subordinate officers:

Leslie Jordan, warden.  
 E. D. Carr, conductor.  
 George W. Higgins, inside guardian.  
 Herbert W. Holt, outside guardian.  
 F. S. Call, R. S. of N. G.  
 P. H. Stratton, L. S. of N. G.  
 Fred Haynes, R. S. S.  
 Mark Hertz, L. S. S.  
 Harvard Jordan, R. S. of V. G.  
 Colin Davis, L. S. of V. G.  
 E. R. Jordan, chaplain.

The installing officer then addressed the new officers, and Noble Grand Cook then closed the lodge without form.

The remainder of the evening was passed in social intercourse and dancing. The spacious hall below the lodge room was used for dancing. Monaghan's orchestra furnishing the music.

Near midnight a collation was served in the one unoccupied store on the ground floor of the building.

Altogether a most enjoyable evening was passed.

## ELLSWORTH FALLS.

A. E. Moore's store caught fire from the chimney Monday morning. The fire was extinguished without calling out the firemen.

E. P. Morris and another young man from Ellsworth, while skating on the river near Mr. Shackford's last Sunday, fell through the ice. They were rescued with some difficulty.

The committee on programme for the next meeting of Seaside local union of Christian Endeavor announce its date to be March 27.

Treadwell Bros. have bought the ice-house formerly owned by G. W. Gerry and moved it to their shop.

## Grand Army and Relief Corps.

The officers of W. H. H. Rice post, G. A. R., and of the Woman's relief corps were installed Monday. The post officers were installed by Past Commander James E. Parsons, assisted by F. A. Macomber as officer of the day. The officers of the corps were installed by Commander Irving Osgood and new officers of the post. Following the installation refreshments were served and a social time enjoyed.

The officers are as follows:  
 Post—Irving Osgood, commander; D. L. Fields, S. V. C.; B. F. Gray, J. V. C.; George F. Haskell, O. D.; A. R. Devereux, Q. M.; S. V. Kellier, sergeant; Benjamin Frazier, chaplain; F. A. Macomber, O. G.; Edmund McFarland, adjutant; W. B. Campbell, Q. M. S.

Corps—Mrs. Lizzie Parsons, president; Mrs. Almira Kellier, senior vice-president; Mrs. Emma McFarland, junior vice-president; Mrs. Alice McFarland, chaplain; Mrs. Martha Laffin, treasurer; Mrs. Martha Blaisdell, secretary; Mrs. Louisa Goodwin, conductor; Mrs. Hannah Bonsey, guard; Mrs. Nancy Bomier, assistant conductor; Mrs. Laura Curtis, assistant guard.

A little girl in a Pennsylvania town, in saying her prayers the other night, was told to pray for her father and mother, who were both very ill, and for one of the servants, who had lost her husband. She faithfully did as she was told, and then, impressed with the dreary condition of things, added on her own account: "And now, oh God, take good care of Yourself, for if anything should happen to You we should all go to pieces. Amen."

## To Let.

HOUSE—The John Black house on Main street, with or without the land. For particulars inquire of S. P. STOCKBRIDGE, Ellsworth.

## COUNTY GOSSIP.

News and Notes of Interest of Hancock County Towns.

Isle au Haut boasts of a boy fifteen years old who weighs 230 pounds.

The farmers have been improving the January dry spell by burning brush.

Hancock's grange store has declared a dividend of 26 per cent. That's not bad.

South Surry is a community of good neighbors. Three "chopping bees" is the record of one week.

The year 1900 will not be a leap year. A child born Feb. 29 this year will not have a birthday anniversary until 1904.

There are twenty-seven Baptist church organizations in Hancock county, with a total membership of 1,778. The oldest is at Eden, organized in 1799.

Bluehill is early in the field with trotting dates. There will be meetings at Mountain park, June 3, July 4 and Aug. 19. The dates of the fair have not yet been fixed.

Up near the foot of Green Lake one day last week an AMERICAN reporter met a man coming out of the woods with a rifle. We are curious to know what game he was hunting for.

It really looks as though the Franklin were to be left out in the cold by the Shore Line. It is said the road will cross the river at West Sullivan, a mile west of the present ferry.

Hancock county is congratulating itself on the fact that whereas in 1885 the net debt of the county was \$42,000, it now falls a little short of \$7,000.—Kennebec Journal.

And isn't that cause enough for congratulation?

Oliver Van Meter, distinguished as the only colored man in the town of Deer Isle, with its population of 5,000, was married recently. Mr. Van Meter is seventy-seven years old, but that is just the prime of life on Deer Isle.

What a record of growth and progress is that of Brooklin lodge, I. O. O. F. Organized only ten months ago, with eleven charter members, it now has seventy-one members, and is erecting a three-story French roof building, 70x40 feet.

It won't be long before we will be ringing up Green's Landing on the telephone. Deer Isle is talking of a telephone to connect with the long distance line at Sedgwick. Deer Isle is too big a town to be left long without a telephone, even if a cable has to be laid across the reach.

A little Ellsworth girl is the owner of a cat which she loves dearly. But "Tom" is a thief, and general "good-for-nothing." Among other crimes laid up against him is the killing and making a meal of a pretty, pink-eyed guinea-pig which had been given his little mistress. One day recently the little girl's mother said she guessed "Tom" would have to be killed. Instead of the expected tears, the little one's eyes brightened with a happy thought, and she exclaimed: "And then we can get the guinea out of him!"

Deer Isle's pride is aroused because THE AMERICAN last week, in speaking of the number of aged people who had died in the county during the past year, called Sedgwick the banner town, because of its record of three deaths of nonagenarians. One of our Deer Isle correspondents writes:

"Deer Isle has at least four people over ninety years old, and hale and hearty now, and as for eighty-year-old people, we have so many that we don't keep count of them. So pass the banner over the reach, please."

This is all very well, and Deer Isle has every reason to be proud of her aged citizens. But perhaps if we were to publish the record of living nonagenarians, Sedgwick, or some other town, would wrest the banner from Deer Isle.

One of our correspondents writes us as follows:

In your last issue you state that the year 1900 will not be a leap year. Will you please explain why, as there seems to be a question in the minds of some here, who think it should be.

Of course there is no necessity for us to explain that the introduction of an additional year into the calendar once in four years is necessary to prevent the average year from being too short. This year with the additional day is known as leap year.

As a matter of fact, this additional day once in four years a little more than makes up the shortage. The additional length is very slight and accumulates slowly; but nevertheless it does accumulate, and by the end of a century amounts to nearly a day. For that reason once in a hundred years the leap year is omitted, and the average length of the years is reduced. But still there is a discrepancy, and even finer adjustment is necessary.

The one day, or leap year, omitted once in a century makes the average year a little too short. To remedy this defect, once every four centuries, beginning with the year 2000, the leap year will not be omitted. Thus the year 2000, 2400, 2800, 3200, etc., will be leap years. But then their days are not of great moment to us.

## The Heavy End of a Match.

"Mary," said Farmer Flint at the breakfast table as he asked for a second cup of coffee, "I've made a discovery."

"Well, Cyrus, you're about the last one I'd expect of such a thing, but what is it?"

"I have found that the heavy end of a match is its light end," responded Cyrus with a grin that would have adorned a skull.

Mary looked disgusted, but with an air of triumph quickly retorted, "I've got a discovery too, Cyrus. It was made by Dr. R. V. Pierce, and is called a 'Golden Medical Discovery.' It drives away blotches and pimples, purifies the blood, tones up the system and makes one feel brand-new. Why, I cured Cousin Ben who had Consumption and was almost reduced to a skeleton. Before his wife began to use it she was a pale, sickly thing, but look at her, she's rosy-cheeked and healthy, and weighs 165 pounds. That, Cyrus, is a discovery that's worth mentioning."

Young or middle-aged men, suffering from premature decline of power, however induced, speedily and radically cured. Illustrated book sent free by mail, sealed for 10 cents in stamps World's Dispensary Medical Association, Buffalo, N. Y.

## Lost.

BRACELET—Solid gold bracelet with diamond setting. Lost between Abenakis club-house and Addison Saunders' house on Water st. Will under return to AMERICAN office.

## MACHINE MANUFACTURER

Wants Ellsworth to Put up Ten Thousand in Cash.

Last week a letter was received by J. D. Farrell, of this city, from J. C. Heald, of Lawrence, Mass., who stated that he was in the market for a place to locate an extensive machine manufacturing business, and asking what inducements Ellsworth would offer to secure the factory.

The writer said he had gotten up a patent lathe for the manufacture of carriage hubs. "We should probably bring the whole C. F. Pettigill plant, consisting of fifty or sixty different wood-making machines. This plant, he added, had been established twenty years ago."

The letter was turned over to J. A. Peters, Jr., chairman of the board of trade committee on manufactures, who immediately wrote Mr. Heald asking further particulars as to what the concern wanted in the shape of building, power, etc. In reply he received a letter in which the writer repeated much that had been said in his previous letter, and added that, in addition to the business already established they desired to monopolize the production of several valuable machines pertaining to the manufacture of novelties.

In the machine shops they would employ about twenty-five skilled mechanics, and in the manufacture of novelties from fifty to seventy-five boys and girls.

Then Mr. Heald submits to the people of Ellsworth the proposition that they organize a stock company, "to which we will sell all patents, sixty machines, tools, fixtures, etc., for \$50,000, for which we will take \$10,000 in stock and \$10,000 in cash." The company, he says, must be capitalized at \$75,000.

This letter has not been answered. The matter will probably be submitted to the board of trade Friday evening.

Ellsworth people will want to learn more of the scheme before they will be willing to invest.

## Resolutions of Respect.

At a meeting of Ellsworth chapter, No. 1453, of the Epworth league, held Jan. 6, 1896, the following resolutions were adopted:

Whereas, our Heavenly Father has called to her eternal reward our sister, Mrs. Sarah E. Pomroy, a charter member of this chapter, be it

Resolved, While we bow to the decrees of Him "who doeth all things well," and realize that "whom He loveth He chasteneth," we deeply feel the pain of parting, and our hearts are sorrowful as we see her vacant seat, and miss her kindly word. Yet when we remember the calm faith which filled her soul with light, and her assurance of endless joy beyond the grave, we sorrow "not as they who are without hope," but knowing that "they who sleep in Jesus will God bring with Him."

Resolved, That as a mark of our respect for our sister, we drap our chapter in black for thirty days, and inscribe these resolutions upon our records; that we have the same published in our local papers, and that a copy be sent to the bereaved family, to whom we extend our heartfelt sympathy.

E. W. LORD,  
 MATTIE A. MOORE,  
 FLORENCE A. BLAISDELL, Com.

## Stereopticon Lecture.

The fourth of the series of stereopticon travel lectures will be given at the Congregational church this (Thursday) evening. The subject is "Through Palestine, from Jerusalem to the Sea of Galilee." The lecture will be read by Miss Eva Aiken.

The following musical programme will precede the lecture:

Jerusalem.....Parker-Rees  
 Mixed Quartette  
 Babylon.....Watson  
 Soprano Solo  
 Voices of the Night.....S. Glover  
 Mixed Quartette  
 Galilee.....Male Quartette

## With Deck Awash.

The Machias schooner "Forest Belle" put in to Portland Saturday, leaking badly. Her deck was even with the sea when she was docked.

The schooner was loaded with lumber from Machias to Boston. On her passage up the coast she put into Bass Harbor for shelter, chains parted and she went ashore.

Capt. Beale thought the damage only a slight matter and sailed for Boston. Soon after getting well outside the schooner began to leak badly. The men were kept at the pumps night and day but the water gained on them. All that saved her was her load of lumber, that kept her up. The crew suffered greatly because of exposure.

## STATE OF OHIO, CITY OF TOLEDO, ss.

LUCAS COUNTY,

FRANK J. CHENEY makes oath that he is the senior partner of the firm of F. J. CHENEY & CO., doing business in the City of Toledo, County and State aforesaid, and that said firm will pay the sum of ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS for each and every case of CATARRH that cannot be cured by the use of F. J. CHENEY'S CURE.

Signed to before me and subscribed in my presence, this 6th day of December, A. D. 1896.

A. W. GLEASON,  
 Notary Public.

Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, and acts directly on the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. Send for testimonials, free.

F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, O.

Sold by Druggists, 75c.

## Children Cry for

Pitcher's Castoria

## Wanted.

AGENTS wanted at once in Castine, Bluehill and Penobscot, to sell room paper and curtains from sample books. An easy way to make some money during the dull months. For particulars write to CARL & JONES, wholesale and retail dealers in wall papers and curtains, Main st., Belfast, Me.

## Nurse.

A strong young woman would like a chance to go out nursing. L. E. WHITE, North Lamoine, Me.

## For Sale.

PUNG—Double-runner express pung, new. Apply to GEORGE A. PARKER, Ellsworth, Me.

ENGINE AND BOILER—Upright 3 horse power engine and boiler, portable and on trucks, suitable for any purpose, in doors or out, where light power is needed. Just the thing for wood sawing. In perfect repair, and will be sold cheap. Owner has no further use for it. May be seen at Hopkins' foundry. For particulars, price, &c., address P. O. Box 42, Ellsworth, Me.

## Special Notices.

## FREEDOM NOTICE.

THIS is to certify that I relinquish the balance of my minority to my son, Charles O. Byrn, and will claim none of his earnings nor pay any of his debts contracted after this date.

Ellsworth, Me., Jan. 6, 1896.

## NOTICE.

WHEREAS my wife, Georgia Alley, has left my bed and board without any provocation, therefore I forbid all persons harboring or trusting her on my account.

North Ellsworth, Me., Jan. 14, 1896.

## Banking.

ESTABLISHED 1887.

## FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF ELLSWORTH.

CAPITAL STOCK. - - \$50,000.

Does a general National Bank business.

Banking hours from 9 a. m. to 1 p. m.

Every facility offered Customers.

Correspondence solicited.

ANDREW P. WISWELL, President,  
 S. K. WHITING, Vice President,  
 HENRY W. CUSHMAN, Cashier.

DIRECTORS:  
 A. P. WISWELL, S. K. WHITING,  
 GEO. P. DUTTON, E. H. GREENE,  
 L. A. EMERY, LEWIS FRIEND.

MAIN STREET, - ELLSWORTH, ME.

## Hancock County Savings Bank,

ELLSWORTH, ME.

Commenced Business May 1, 1873.

Deposits in this bank are by law exempt from taxation.

JAMES F. DAVIS, President.

CHARLES C. BURRILL, Treasurer.

Deposits draw interest from the first day of March, June, September and December.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS:

JAMES F. DAVIS, JOHN F. WHITCOMB,  
 A. F. BURNHAM, N. B. COOLIDGE,  
 CHARLES C. BURRILL.

Bank hours daily, from 9 a. m. to 12 m.

## Advertisements.

## SACRIFICE SALE

—AT—

## J. T. R. FREEMAN'S STORE,

Southwest Harbor.

I MUST RAISE \$3,000 ON MY STOCK OF

Clothing, Ladies and

Gents' Furnishings,

BEFORE FEB. 1, 1896.

In taking inventory of stock, I find I have to-day, Dec. 25, 1895, \$16,500 worth of goods in my store. I can afford to sell \$3,000 or \$4,000 worth of these goods 10 per cent. below cost, which I shall do. This means 30 per cent. discount to raise cash at once to meet liabilities.

On and after to-day, and until Feb. 1, 1896, you can buy Clothing for Men, Boys and

Youths, Hats and Caps, Ladies' and Gents' Furnishings, Ladies' and Misses' Cloaks at

25 to 40 per cent. discount. I am forced to do this to raise cash at once. Biggest line to select from in Eastern Maine.

Overcoats and Ulsters 30 per cent. discount

J. T. R. FREEMAN.

Southwest Harbor, Dec. 25, 1895.

## CLOSING - OUT SALE!

Having decided to sell out my entire stock and close up the Variety Store, I shall sell anything and everything AT COST, or less. We have an extra large stock on hand, and can show you the

## Finest Line of Holiday Goods&lt;/



**Advertisements.**

**DRUMMEY, THE GROCER.**

Mine is the only store in the city that carries the celebrated

**Magnolia Flour,**

**\$4.50.**

Besides regular lines of groceries, I carry full lines of

**Lamps, Celluloid Goods,**

**Boots, Shoes, Rubbers,**

**Staple and Fancy Groceries.**

**M. J. DRUMMEY,**

Odd Fellows' Block, - Ellsworth.

# Legal Notices.

## STATE OF MAINE.

Hancock, ss.—Court of Probate, Ellsworth, January term, a. d. 1896.

ACCOUNTS having been filed for settlement in estates of

James L. Coombs, executor, deceased.

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## DEER ISLE NEWS.

Green's Landing.

Miss Lottie Thurlow has returned from Boston.

A daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. Florian Small on Christmas day.

The steamer "Creedmore" has been hauled on railway for winter quarters.

Simon Goss came from Portland Wednesday. His eyesight is not much improved.

Alvah Conary's new house, near the residence of C. C. Wood, is nearly ready for occupancy.

Mrs. Charles Chapin, of Camden, was the guest of her daughter, Mrs. John Simpson, recently.

Warren Barbour is putting in a house foundation for Ed Smith, on a lot adjoining Stephen Sellers'.

Charles S. Grant and wife have returned from Scotland, arriving here by steamer "Silver Star" on Saturday week.

J. L. Goss' team are filling in refuse granite, for the foundation of a coal shed to be built at the head of the proposed steamboat wharf.

By the combined efforts of teachers and pupils, a valuable clock has been placed in the high school-room, and a fine-toned bell in the tower of the school building.

The high school is prospering under the efficient methods of Sumner Mills, one of our own boys. Mr. Mills has sent out invitations to citizens of this village to visit the school at any session, but more especially Friday afternoons to listen to recitations in civil government and literature. A literary society has been formed, which meets weekly.

The Methodist Sabbath school spent Christmas eve very happily. A well-filled tree was prepared at the vestry, and when the scholars were all assembled ice-cream was served. As the last spoonful disappeared Mrs. Santa Claus appeared, amid the loud jingling of bells, and immediately proceeded to distribute the gifts with merry song and pleasant words.

The twelve "Defender" boys, who left here for New York on Christmas Day, returned in just one week, having enjoyed the trip each way, with first-class entertainment and a free pass to the "Dunraven" show while in New York. A colored woman, from Atlantic City, N. J., arrived here by same boat to visit some of her own people at the head of the town. She made the acquaintance of the crew somewhere this side of New York, and after that felt no anxiety with regard to her long journey. When the conductor asked her destination, she replied that she was "going to just the same place what them 'Defenders' was. Mighty nice boys, too, just like own folks."

Jan. 6. ELSIE H.

Sadie Pickering is ill.

Parker Eaton is at home.

Mrs. A. J. Beck went to Boston Thursday.

George F. Torrey came from Boston Thursday.

Gardner Green is at home. He has been in yacht "Sapphire."

George Conant and Edgar W. Haskell came home Saturday night.

Mrs. and Mrs. John Staples held a wedding reception at the bride's parents' on Friday evening.

Mrs. George Haskell and family went to Boston last Monday. Her husband is there unloading his vessel.

The officers of Deer Isle lodge, No. 18, A. O. U. W., were installed last Wednesday evening by Hon. E. P. Spofford.

The only colored man in this town, Oliver Van Meter, aged about seventy-seven, was married to a colored lady from out of town on Friday afternoon at 2 o'clock. Rev. J. S. Richards performed the ceremony, with Hon. E. P. Spofford as witness.

Jan. 13. H.

Special evangelical services were held in the vestry from Dec. 26 to Jan. 10, Rev. Mr. Richards being assisted by Rev. Mr. Belcher, and on two evenings by Mr. Abrahamian. There was a good attendance, but no hearty co-operation by the church, and no conversions.

South Deer Isle.

There was a Sunday school Christmas concert at the church here Dec. 29, which was very satisfactory every way. Quite a congregation assembled. The choir rendered some choice selections and the Sunday school pupils gave a number of fine recitations. There was a motto exercise by fourteen of the scholars, with singing appropriate to the motto at its close. Four tiny girls gave recitations and another little miss recited, and also read a selection. There were two duets. Near the close the pastor made a few remarks as to the object of the concert, which was to raise money for the Sunday school library, for which a collection was taken.

Jan. 2. Ego.

Charles Warren has been quite ill the past week with tonsillitis.

Mrs. Rebecca Bryant has been quite ill.

Is it "overwork" that has filled this country with nervous dyspepsia—that takes the flesh off their bones, the vitality from their blood, and makes them feeble, emaciated and inefficient? No. It is bad cooking, overeating of indigestible stuff, and other health-destroying habits.

The remedy is an artificially digested food such as the Shaker Digestive Cordial. Instead of irritating the already inflamed stomach the cordial gives it a chance to rest by nourishing the system itself and digesting other food taken with it. So flesh and strength return. Is not the idea rational? The cordial is palatable and relieves immediately. No money risked to decide on its value. A 10-cent trial bottle does that.

LAXOL is the best medicine for children. Doctors recommend it in place of Castor Oil.

and threatened with fever. Her daughter, Mrs. D. W. Fifield, has been caring for her.

Mrs. Mary Gray, of this place, is making a worsted quilt which promises to take the premium over any around here. Every stitch in the working is so evenly placed that it looks like stamping and the colors are very beautiful. Her daughter Tina also has an elegant silk quilt just completed.

The annual meeting of the Phenix library association was held Wednesday evening, Jan. 9, at the home of the librarian, Mrs. May Robbins. The board of officers was unanimously re-elected. The library comprises 346 volumes, including works by the best standard authors. It was established about thirty-three years ago, starting with voluntary contributions amounting to \$90, which purchased sixty books. An annual tax is required of the members, which is expended in new books, thus keeping up with the times.

Jan. 10. Ego.

North Deer Isle.

Mrs. William Powers is very ill. There was a sociable in the school-house last week.

Capt. George Holden has arrived home for the winter.

William Kenney is boarding at Collins Powers this winter.

Capt. Roland Lowe, who came home ill some time ago, is better.

School in this place is taught by Byron D. Tracy, of Green's Landing.

Collins Powers, Capt. Prescott Powers and Arthur Powers arrived home Saturday.

Jan. 13. JOSH.

Oceanville.

Maggie Greenlaw is home for the winter.

George Eaton is visiting at Samuel Annis'.

E. T. Colony's pile driver went adrift during the high tide of last week.

The "boys" are having a dancing school in Crockett's hall. W. B. Peakes, teacher.

The young people have organized a lyceum here, and will give an entertainment at the school-house every Saturday evening until further notice. Samuel Ackley is president.

Jan. 6. EUGENE.

The boys and girls have enjoyed themselves skating.

The dancing school, taught by Prof. W. B. Peakes, opened Thursday evening.

Steamer "Florence" could not make a landing here on Thursday, on account of ice.

Seth & C. H. S. Webb sold a valuable pair of oxen to Brooksville parties last week.

The "Misery club" has changed its night of meeting from Saturday to Friday night.

Jan. 13. EUGENE.

Mountainville.

The new mission hall that has been finished here for Sunday school and religious meetings, is completed so far as there are funds to do with. Something more than \$100 has been expended. The room is finished and seated, but there are needed paint for the woodwork inside, a stove and pipe, and a platform outside to make the entrance easier, which will cost about \$20. A meeting is to be held in the room Wednesday evening to see if the people can furnish this amount. The room cannot be dedicated and used until these necessary things are provided.

Jan. 14. S.

Sumner.

Clarence Day has moved into a tenement of Seth Hatch, of Deer Isle.

A. T. Small and wife spent the holidays with their son, H. W. Small, at Swan's Island.

Mrs. Pearl Stinson is at Green's Landing, caring for her daughter, Mrs. Simon Dow, who is quite ill.

Jan. 6. S.

COUNTY NEWS.

For additional County News see other pages.

Hancock.

Dr. G. R. Hagerthy was in town Monday.

C. B. Young and wife are receiving congratulations upon the birth of a son.

Mrs. A. B. Crabtree was called to Pittsfield Monday by the illness of her daughter Ethel, who is a student at the institute.

The reading club will meet Friday evening with Mrs. O. L. Crabtree. The programme is miscellaneous and consists of the following topics: "The Original Inhabitants of America;" "A Sketch of Napoleon's Life;" "An Outline of the Lives of America's Prominent Divines;" "Life of Capt. Isaac Bassett;" "A History of the Original Constitution of the U. S.;" "Current Topics of the Week;" "History of the Town of Hancock;" readings.

At the annual meeting of stockholders of Panama glass store company, Saturday evening, Jan. 4, the following officers were chosen for the year: President, Luther Haven; secretary, C. H. Wooster; treasurer, J. N. Stratton; directors, C. H. Wooster, J. N. Stratton, Louis Jordan, Nelson Stewart, Luther Haven. The amount of trade for the year 1895 was \$16,997, exceeding that of the previous year \$2,382. A dividend of 26 per cent. was declared and there remains a surplus of \$1,515. The services of C. H. Wooster have been secured for another year and with this efficient agent to conduct the business the outlook is bright.

Jan. 13. M.

Brookline.

The officers of Brookline lodge, No. 133, I. O. O. F., were installed Saturday evening by P. N. G. Rodney S. Osgood, assisted by P. N. G. Irving H. Harding, of Bluehill lodge, as follows: John J. McDonnell, N. G.; Frank A. Watson, V. G.; Erastus J. Carter, R. S.; G. R. Allen, P. S.; Webster P. McFarland, treasurer;

Isaac Mayo, warden; Fred S. Herrick, conductor; Rev. G. Mayo, chaplain;

Frank A. Bowden, O. G.; Herman P. Carter, I. G.; Edward W. Griffin, R. S. N. G.;

Edward Kane, R. S. S.; Eldorus H. Bridges, L. S. S.; Albert H. Kane, R. S. V. G.;

Alfred M. Joyce, L. S. V. G.

The lodge was instituted March 13, 1895, with eleven charter members, and now numbers seventy-one. They have commenced building a hall at Centre Harbor, 70x40 feet, three stories, with French roof, tower, etc. The outside is nearly completed and will be ready for business in the early summer. The hall was designed and is being built by Ralph E. Bent, and will be a credit to his genius. He has the assistance of Prince E. Lufkin, Babson & Ingersoll, all citizens of this place and members of the lodge. We bespeak for them good success.

Jan. 13. P. S.

"Perhaps if I were to boil it down," suggested the space writer. "Wouldn't do any good," said the obtuse editor. "Take a gallon of water and boil it down to a pint, and it would still be nothing but water."

OLD PEOPLE OFTEN have troublesome and persistent coughs. Sometimes you can cure them and sometimes you can't. But Adamson's Botanic Cough Balsam always soothes and relieves the patient old folks.

When Baby was sick, we gave her Castoria.

When she was a Child, she cried for Castoria.

When she became Miss, she clung to Castoria.

When she had Children, she gave them Castoria.

THE AMERICAN prints more vital statistics—births, marriages and deaths—than all the other papers printed in the county combined, and most of them it prints from one to two weeks ahead of its contemporaries.

BORN.

FARLEY—At Bar Harbor, Dec. 8, to Mr. and Mrs. James Farley, a son.

GREENLAW—At Deer Isle, Jan. 11, to Mr. and Mrs. Frederick Greenlaw, a son.

GRINDLE—At Walham, Jan. 6, to Mr. and Mrs. Grindle, a son.

HIGGINS—At North Ellsworth, Jan. 13, to Mr. and Mrs. Albert Higgins, a son.

JOYCE—At Swan's Island, Jan. 6, to Mr. and Mrs. Walter Joyce, a daughter.

JOHNSON—At Hancock, Jan. 13, to Mr. and Mrs. Henry Johnson, a son.

PERKINS—At Penobscot, Jan. 6, to Mr. and Mrs. Francis H. Perkins, a daughter.

ROBINSON—At Tremont, Jan. 8, to Mr. and Mrs. F. P. Robinson, a daughter.

SCAMMON—At Sullivan, Dec. 31, to Mr. and Mrs. Henry J. Scammon, a daughter.

SMITH—At Bar Harbor, Dec. 17, to Mr. and Mrs. Forest Lincoln Smith, a daughter.

YOUNG—At Hancock, Jan. 9, to Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Young, a son.

MARRIED.

CARTER—PAGE—At Brookline, Jan. 8, by Rev. P. Carter, Miss Lennie V. Carter, of Brookline, to Joseph Page, of Sedgewick.

CURTIS—ESTREY—At Ellsworth, Jan. 13, by Rev. David L. Yale, Miss Bertha B. Curtis to Hollis B. Estrey, both of Ellsworth.

FRAZER—PECKHAM—At Northeast Harbor, Dec. 25, by Rev. J. R. Norwood, Miss Ada Frazer to William M. Peckham, both of Northeast Harbor.

JELLINE—LAWRENCE—At Franklin, Jan. 1, by Rev. A. H. Hanson, Miss Gertrude Jellison, of Franklin, to Samuel L. Lawrence, of Columbia.

JOHNSON—VAN METER—At Deer Isle, Jan. 10, by Rev. J. S. Richards, Mrs. Emma J. Johnson, of Atlantic City, N. J., to Oliver Van Meter, of Deer Isle.

PECKHAM—PAGE—At Sullivan, Jan. 11, by Rev. J. A. West, Mrs. Maggie R. Peckham to Adelbert Howard Bunker, both of Sullivan.

ROBINSON—BUTLER—At Tremont, Jan. 8, by Rev. E. B. Brewster, Miss Temperance Robinson to James A. Butler, both of Tremont.

SWEENEY—BYRN—At Bangor, Jan. 8, by Rev. C. H. Carter, Miss Lucille Sweeney, of Bangor, to Charles Byrn, of Ellsworth.

TRASK—ATHESTER—At Tremont, Jan. 4, by P. W. Richardson, esp. Miss Jennie M. Trask to Frank L. Manchestor, both of Tremont.

WHEELDEN—GASKELL—At Brewer, Jan. 11, by Rev. J. T. Crosby, Mrs. Cora F. Wheelden, of Brewer, to Clinton D. Gaskell, of Ellsworth.

DIED.

ALLEY—At Bay-side, Jan. 12, Miss Julia A. Alley, aged 71 years.

BRADY—At South Hancock, Jan. 9, Miss Nancy B. Brady, aged 74 years, 3 months.

CONARY—At Deer Isle, Jan. 6, Gardner E. Conary, aged 4 years, 9 months, 27 days.

DARLING—At Bangor, Dec. 7, Sylvia W. Darling, aged 80 years, 3 months.

DANIELS—At Penobscot, Jan. 10, Mrs. Irene W. Daniels, aged 67 years, 12 months, 17 days.

GOODRICH—At Bangor, Dec. 24, Mrs. Hannah T. Goodrich, aged 66 years, 3 months, 7 days.

GROSS—At Ellsworth, Jan. 9, infant son of Elmer S. and Martha J. Gross, aged 3 years.

GRAY—At Penobscot, Jan. 7, Judson Gray, aged 72 years.

LEACH—At Penobscot, Jan. 12, Washington G. Leach, aged 72 years.

MCCABE—At Sullivan, Dec. 11, Flossie McCabe, aged 7 years, 7 months, 7 days.

MURRAY—At Bar Harbor, Dec. 7, Sylvia W. Murray, aged 80 years, 3 months.

TRINDY—At Bangor, Jan. 15, David Trindy, aged 65 years, 3 months, 25 days.

WEBSTER—At Penobscot, Jan. 10, Benjamin Webster, aged 81 years, 10 months, 4 days.

Advertisements.

N. H. HIGGINS,

Cemetery Work of all Kinds.

Franklin St. - Ellsworth, Me.



## THE TIDE OF THE PAST.

Sometimes the troubled tide of the past  
Upon my spirit's trembling strand is rolled;  
Years never mine, ages a hundredfold,  
With all the weight those ages have amassed  
Of human grief and wrong are on me cast.  
Within one sorcerous moment I grow old  
And blanch as one who scarce his way can hold.  
Upon a verge that takes some floodtide vast.  
Then comes relief through some dear common thing—  
The voices of the children at their play,  
The wind "ave through bright meadows  
moving fast,  
The bluebird's skyward call on happy wing.  
So the sweet present reassumes her sway;  
So lapse the surges of the monstrous past.  
—Edith M. Thomas in Century.

## NIGHT IN A DUNGEON.

It was an old and yellow manuscript that Jack and Arthur found in the bottom of the little half-covered trunk up in the attic. Perhaps the reason it had escaped notice was that the trunk was lined with paper of nearly the same color. However that may be, none of us had ever seen it before, and when on that rainy afternoon we were all gathered in the sitting room Aunt Harriet opened it.

"It is in our great-grandfather's handwriting," she said, and of course we all crowded around to see it. "Our great-grandfather was a Frenchman, and of course this is written in French." This brought forth a number of disappointed exclamations, but when Aunt Harriet added, "And if you wish I will translate it as I go along," the faces of the group brightened, and all settled themselves comfortably to hear what Great-grandfather D'Almar had to tell.

It looks as if it were a story of an adventure which befell him," said Aunt Harriet, turning the yellow leaves over leisurely. "I did not know that anything ever happened to him. He was supposed to have been buried in his books all the time. But now for the manuscript. If I am a little slow in reading, you will know that it is because I cannot understand grandfather's French."

It was by a piece of ill luck that I at last fell into the duke's hands. He had long sought to do me some harm in payment for the trick I played him in running off with the woman he loved, but for 15 years I had avoided him and escaped his vengeance. At last, however, I was snared by two of the duke's retainers, and being blindfolded, was conveyed whither I know not, for when the bandage was removed I was being led through a large stone hall, and my conductors were making every effort to thrust me into a narrow dungeon which one of them unlocked. It was of no avail to reason with the men. They were under the duke's orders and dared not disobey him.

So they closed the door upon me and pushed the bolts in place with a crash, and I was alone. The dungeon was entirely made of stone, with but one small and strongly barred window, near the roof. The only piece of furniture in the room was a small stone bench, upon which I seated myself to think over the sudden circumstance which had placed me in this strange and unpleasant position.

I knew the duke to be a stern, hard man, and he would not spare one who had wronged him, as he considered I had done. Mercy was not to be looked for. My only salvation lay in escape. If I failed to escape, my poor wife and children at home would not know what had become of me. How long I sat there lost in thought I do not know, but a sense of hunger first caused me to raise my head and examine my prison to discover if any food had been left for me.

Not a bit of anything was to be seen. In fact, the cell was bare of everything except the bench on which I sat, and that was merely a projection from the stone wall. I had always been accustomed to have good things to eat when I wanted them, and the thought of being without food for any length of time was not very pleasant. In fact, I had never been without my regular three meals a day.

There seemed no possible way of escape, and all I could hope for was clemency from the duke. I thought he would hardly dare kill me in his own house. He might perhaps try to starve me to death. But at these thoughts I clenched my hands and shut my teeth firmly together. I would not give up without a struggle.

The moonlight commenced to shine in through the bars of the window, first in sickly little streaks, and then as the moon rose higher in a blaze of white light. There was some companionship in this and it cheered me a little, and as the feeling of hunger had almost passed away I determined to make myself as comfortable as possible with the limited resources within reach. Removing my coat, I rolled it up to form a pillow, and then after offering up my customary prayer I lay down upon the stone bench, and in a few minutes, like a tired schoolboy, I was lost in a deep and dreamless sleep.

How long I slept I cannot say, but after a time I awoke with a sensation as if I were choking. The sensation did not cease when I left my improvised bed. It seemed rather to increase. Why this should be I could not discover, until as I again sat on the bench I perceived peculiar vapors issuing, as it seemed, from the stone sides of my prison. On closer examination I found in the walls at each end of my cell a number of small holes, which were without doubt connected with pipes on the outside of the wall.

A sudden horrible suspicion assailed me. Was the duke trying to exterminate me with the fumes of some deadly gas? I tried to reach up and stop the holes with my hands. By standing on tiptoe I could just reach two, but was forced to withdraw my hands immediately as a stream of steam was forced against them. Almost suffocated with the fumes, I rushed to the bench, and mounting it managed to grasp the iron bars of the window and pull my head up to breathe some of the fresh air. This was not an easy task, but by forcing an arm out and around a bar I managed to cling there where I could breathe the pure air.

Hanging in this way I gradually became insensible, and when I regained consciousness I found, to my great delight, that the instrument of torture had been removed. Could it be possible that the duke was watching me from some concealed hole and was inflicting this punishment upon me for the pleasure of seeing me suffer? It made my blood boil to think of such a thing.

I was beginning to regain strength and courage, when a new dread presented itself. As I lay on the floor of the cell I was horrified to see the roof slowly but surely descending upon me. It was a matter of but a few minutes when my life would be crushed out by that great weight of stone. I had heard of similar means being employed to punish criminals in the Italian prisons, and it had always made me faint and sick to think of such a thing. Down it came, slowly, but not for a moment staying its deadly approach. I

could touch it now with my hand as I stood up. I fell on my knees to pray. When I again stood upright, my head struck the still descending roof. I endeavored to stand straight, using all my might to resist the downward pressure, but in vain. Again I fell upon my knees. The weight reached my head and pressed me farther down. I was now lying on my face. The air felt hot and unbearable. I turned on my back, and with my hands and knees tried to push back or at least stop the farther descent of that awful wall. As I did so I thought I could hear a chuckling noise, which sounded like laughter. At length, in hopeless despair, I lay still and awaited the end. My body was pressed gently against the floor. The weight on my chest was so great that I could not breathe. I made a violent effort to scream; then moaned faintly, and that was all I was conscious of.

That was not the end, however. The bright sun shining into my place of torture and imprisonment roused me to consciousness and brought back the awful remembrance of the evening before. The roof had been raised to its original position, and there was nothing to show that it had ever moved. My head throbbed with fever, and a burning thirst parched my throat and mouth. I cried aloud for some one to bring me water, but there was no answer.

Then I rose and flung myself with all my weak strength against the bolted door, but it gave not an inch. I staggered to the seat and fell upon it, with my face against the stones, in order to gain some slight relief from the coolness. I placed my tongue and lips against the stone, but it gave only momentary relief.

Hark! What was that? Surely it was the sound of running water. What other torture would they offer me? I wondered. How close the water sounded! I turned my head and saw, to my delight, streams of pure water flowing from the holes of which I have already spoken. I flung myself to the ground with a cry and commenced to lap up the water which was fast covering the floor. The flood it was not water, but some fiery liquid which scorched and shriveled up the skin of my mouth. I flung myself back on the seat and resolved not to move again, but patiently await death.

But the water still kept on flowing. What did it mean? It was creeping slowly up to the bench. Was drowning in this fiery liquid to end my sufferings at last? Well, I would be still and let its mission be accomplished without a struggle. But this was impossible. The instinct of self preservation was still strong within me, and I stood up. The water was now up to my waist, and rising fast. What would be the use of prolonging life by swimming in this liquid? I might as well give up at once and die. Still I struck out with my arms and tried to keep my head above the liquid. In my feeble state it was a hard work.

I tried to float. My head sank, and again I put forth my little strength and managed to keep on the surface for a time. Then I felt that I couldn't hold out any longer—I sank once and rose again, making no effort to save myself. Then I sank and rose once more. Then I realized that I could rise but once again, and opened my eyes to catch a glimpse of the sunlight streaming in at the other end of the cell.

"Well, this appears to be the end of the paper," said Aunt Harriet. "There must be another sheet, Jack. Run up to the trunk and see if you have not overlooked it. This is the most exciting adventure I ever heard of! And to think that Grandfather D'Almar should have kept it so quiet!"

Of course Jack and Arthur rushed to the attic, and in a few minutes they came down having found nothing but a tiny scrap of yellowed paper.

"I don't think this can belong to it, Aunt Harriet," said Jack. "It is not the same kind of paper, though it has a few French words written on it."

Aunt Harriet took it and read slowly: "To my intense delight I saw only a head of beautiful golden hair, and a little voice which came from the child who had her arms about my neck, said: 'Why, papa, why do you shiver and shake so when you take a nap? Come, leave your old musty books and go down to the spring with me to get a drink of water.'"

Aunt Harriet laughed. "Well, so this was grandfather's adventure!" she said.

"I think great grandfather D'Almar was a big humbug," said Jack and Arthur together.—Philadelphia Press.

## Well Recommended.

An English general, in reviewing a corps of cavalry, stopped before a splendid looking fellow and asked abruptly, "Which is the best horse in the regiment?"

"No. 40, sir."

"What makes you think it is the best horse?"

"He walks, trots and gallops well, is a good jumper, has no vice, no blemish, carries his head well, is in his prime."

"And who is the best soldier in the regiment?"

"Tom Jones, sir."

"Why?"

"Because he is an honorable man, is obedient, tidy, takes good care of his equipment and horse, and does his duty well."

"And who is the rider of the best horse?"

"Tom Jones, sir."

"And who is Tom Jones, sir?"

"I am, sir."

The general could not help laughing. He gave a sovereign to his informant, who received it without moving a muscle.—Household Words.

## Glass Solder.

Recent investigations pursued by Marconi have established the interesting fact that an alloy composed of 95 parts of tin and 5 of zinc melts at 200 degrees and becomes firmly adhered to glass, and, moreover, is unalterable and exhibits a most attractive metallic luster. He has further ascertained, by these experiments, that an alloy consisting of 90 parts of tin and 10 of aluminum melts at 300 degrees, becomes strongly soldered to glass and is possessed of a very stable brilliancy. With these two alloys it is possible, it is claimed, to solder glass as easily as it is to solder two pieces of metal, and this operation may be done by soldering the pieces of glass, when heated in a furnace, by rubbing their surface with a rod of the solder, the alloy, as it flows, being evenly distributed with a tampon of paper or a strip of aluminum, or an ordinary soldering iron can be used for melting the solder.

## A Sign of Age.

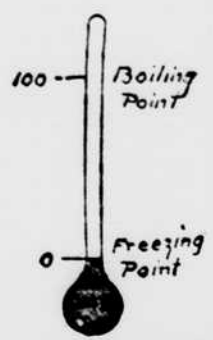
Old people never pretend to stay in bed all night. They get up fully a half dozen times and go wandering around with lights in their hands, looking for the origin of noises, to see what time it is and on a half dozen other pretexts. If you feel like wandering around the house at night with your nightclothes flapping around your knees, it is an indication that you are not as young as you used to be.—Acheson Globe.

## CHILDREN'S COLUMN.

## SIMPLE SCIENCE.

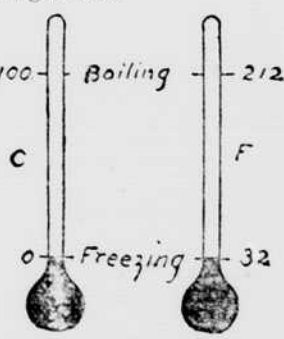
An Explanation of Thermometers That Boys and Girls Can Understand.

"What is centigrade?"  
"Centigrade is the thermometer used in all scientific work."  
"Isn't it like our thermometer?"  
"Very much. Do you know how a thermometer is made?"  
"No, sir."  
"It is very simple. We have a glass tube like this:



"At the bottom is a bulb. Mercury is in the bulb and the whole tube is sealed airtight. Now to make a thermometer of it we plunge it into freezing water or melting ice. Both are at the same temperature; so either will do. Well, when the mercury has contracted as much as it is going to, we mark the spot where it stands in the tube and call it zero. Then we place it in boiling water. The mercury now expands and runs up in the tube. Water always boils at a certain temperature, which does not vary a bit during the boiling unless the atmospheric pressure changes. When our mercury has expanded to its fullest extent we make another mark and call it 100. Now, we have two marks on the tube or scale, and the space between is divided into 100 equal spaces called degrees. You see the freezing and boiling points are fixed and only vary slightly with the atmospheric pressure."

"This is called the centigrade thermometer. The one in common use is the Fahrenheit. In the latter the freezing point is marked 32 degrees and the boiling point 212 degrees, so that, instead of the space between these two points being divided into an even hundred parts, it is divided into 180 parts. Here is a diagram comparing the two:



"So you see that one degree Fahrenheit is equal to five-ninths of a degree centigrade."

"Why, papa, I should think the centigrade was a much more sensible thermometer than the other."

"It is. The Fahrenheit is an old relic. It originated with a scientist many years ago. He tried to reach what is called 'absolute zero'—that is, a point way down where there is no heat at all. He reached 32 degrees below freezing point, and, thinking that was the bottom, called it zero."

"Why, scientists have obtained a temperature of several hundred degrees below freezing, when it is so cold that they can make the oxygen of our atmosphere first liquid, then solid. Just think of having solid air! Yet still we use the old antiquated relic of a past century and refuse to have any other."—Brooklyn Eagle.

## The Boys and the Flag.

When the American flag is flying in the playgrounds of a certain private school for boys, one notices that all the lads who approach it take off their hats. This pretty custom, that sends a thrill of silent applause through passersby, grew out of the following incident:

During a general frolic one day a young and headless student threw a stone through the waving stars and stripes. His companions started an outburst of approving laughter, which was suddenly hushed by the grave aspect of the approaching principal. Pointing toward the ugly rent, in an awe-stricken voice he asked, "Who has dishonored his country?"

The culprit hung his head. "I am willing to pay for the damage," he began hurriedly, when he was interrupted with, "What price could repay an insult to the American flag?"

"It's just an old piece of bunting!" the boy insisted.

The stern gravity of the principal's face increased. "An old piece of bunting, when it is of red, white and blue, star spangled," said he reverently, "becomes the spirit of American institutions. To insult that 'old bunting' is to insult your country. Where there is no love of country there is not a good citizen." As the principal spoke he moved nearer the flagstaff. "Hats off!" he ordered. Simultaneously every head uncovered. "And now, on your honor as good American citizens, let no one of this company ever again approach that banner except in love and in reverence."—New York Times.

## Little Japs With Dumbbells.

Athletics hold an important position in the schools of Japan. Once a year there is a gathering of all the students in a district to engage in athletic contests. In those recently seen and described 8,000 boys and girls from all the schools within a distance of 25 miles were entered to take part. A circular race track, roomy enough for an army, allowed four different kinds of games to be performed at the same time. The most wonderful spectacle was the great dumbbell exercise—6,000 boys and girls, massed in ranks about 500 deep; 6,000 pairs of arms rising and falling exactly together; 6,000 pairs of sandaled feet advancing or retreating together at the signals of the instructors.

## "An Adjective Letter" Party.

"An adjective letter" will give much amusement to a party of young people. The framework is a letter to be written by one of the number describing some recent event or familiar occurrence, possibly the entertainment in progress. As many names are introduced as is possible, and each is preceded by a blank to be filled with an adjective. The writer asks for an adjective from each member of the circle in turn to fill the space. These are of course ludicrously inappropriate, and when the whole is read aloud it calls forth peals of merriment.—Ladies' Home Journal.

## CIVICS IN OUR COMMON SCHOOLS.

A paper by W. H. Dresser, principal of the Ellsworth high school, read before the Maine Pedagogical society at Bangor, December, 1895.]

The recent increase of interest among the people of our country on the subject of government is a hopeful sign. It will lead to a better knowledge of our political institutions and give us better citizens, for good citizenship is impossible unless the people understand the government under which they live.

In 1891 the first good government club was formed in New York city, and now there are over 7,000 members in New York alone. Similar clubs have been formed in many of our large cities during the last four years, and, to-day, the exact knowledge, persistent courage and vigilance of good government club men, have made them feared by the political bosses, and respected by all good citizens.

These clubs are composed of thinking men, whose object is to give young men an education in citizenship, and to destroy the belief of our best educated young men that they are above politics, and of our young business men that they have no time for politics—beliefs that have, in the past, left a lamentably clear field for the unscrupulous, professional politician. Their platform, briefly stated, is "Public office is a public trust." They are non-partisan as regards national politics. They desire fit persons for city officers. They desire to have municipal and national politics separated; to have elections fairly conducted, and municipal affairs carried on honestly and efficiently.

By watching at the polls, preventing violation of election laws, opposing ring-methods in both parties, by outspokenly advocating good candidates, and denouncing those with bad records, they have accomplished much, and, in many places, have warned voters and officers against the wrong, and guided them into the right.

A leader of municipal reform has rightly said that good government clubs are to good government exactly what the saloons are to the "machine." Saloons in cities are not merely the gathering places for corrupt party politicians, but they are also the headquarters where campaigns are planned, and the school where the tricks of politics are learned. So good government clubs furnish the nucleus for aggressive, practical, well-instructed fighting against political corruptions. United, they are the fighting arm of municipal reform.

While these clubs have done good work, and will still continue to do much in the direction of good government, their work is not far reaching enough. The great masses of the people can be reached only through the schools or the family. It is through these, and these only, that we can make impressions that are lasting and wide-spreading.

The activity that belongs to youth, and the earnestness that comes from conviction are characteristic qualities of good government. All our lives we are guided more or less by the impressions received in our childhood days; impressions received in middle life and in our days of business activity are easily effaced and often lost sight of, but the events of youth and the teachings of our early days are indelibly stamped on the tablets of the mind.

Of course, the place where such instruction should begin is the home, but how many homes are inadequate for the work? The head of the family is, in too many cases, as ignorant as his youngest member. This may be illustrated, a little extravagantly perhaps, but none the less forcibly, by an anecdote related by Melville D. Landon, perhaps better known as Eli Perkins.

One day when they were voting on the female suffrage bill out in Kansas, a poor, ignorant white man, who had just moved in from Posey county, Ill., came to the polls to vote.

"I wish you would oblige me by voting this ticket," said a well-dressed woman.

"What kind of a ticket is it?" asked the poor white man.

"Well," said the lady, "you can see for yourself."

"But I can't read."

"What, can't you read the ballot you have there in your hand, which you are about to vote?" exclaimed the lady.

"No," said he, "I can't read at all."

"Well," said the lady, "I will read it to you. This ballot means that you are in favor of an amendment to the Kansas state constitution giving equal franchise to every citizen, male or female."

"It means to let the women vote, does it?" said the ignorant voter, his face scarlet with anger.

"Yes, sir, it means just that."

"Not on yer life—women don't know enough to vote."

The woman who read his vote was Susan B. Anthony.

There are too many voters of this kind in our country, and even in our own State—too many who are as ignorant of the first principles of good government as this man was of the first principles of reading.

It is our duty, then, as teachers, to strive to train every boy and girl in the land to a true conception of American citizenship, and a deeper love of country. A move was made in this direction when we began to fly the stars and stripes over the school-houses of our country. Let the work not cease here. We must not let our young men, and our young women, too, when they leave school, plunge into the whirl and confusion of political life without a knowledge of the great principles of citizenship.

It is our duty to insist upon a course of study in political science for our common schools, and we should never rest until this is secured. The home, in many cases, not being capable of such work, it falls on the teachers of our schools to do it. Our nation expects it of us; the welfare of the state demands it. Every state maintains a system of public schools for the purpose of training citizens, and still, many states omit civics, or the science of citizenship, from their course of instruction, and leave their coming citizens to blunder into what knowledge

they get of this science, and make mistakes which may imperil the welfare of town, state or nation.

The state confides to us the trust of teaching its boys and girls how to be useful men and women—of training them for citizenship. It has clothed us with ample powers for most purposes, but it has restricted our usefulness in this work by not insisting upon the study of that which most concerns its own welfare. The state pays us to exact obedience, to teach children to obey when they are children, that they may rule when they become rulers, or citizens, but it has left us in a position where we must, of necessity, fall short of the mark.

When the teachers of a state work together, they form a power which must command recognition. Let us see to it that we make that power felt in the direction of good government, and let us urge that every school in the state has a course in civics which must be studied by every pupil of suitable age.

Does the question of its educational value arise in your minds? In our public schools the principal end of the study should be practical. The study of government is the pursuit of political knowledge, and such knowledge is valuable, first of all, for practical purposes. The art of government is one of the most important arts, for government concerns, and should interest, everybody. Man is a social being. He is dependent, and dependence is one of the strongest bonds of life. Man lives and must continue to live in society, and society cannot exist without government.

More than 2,000 years ago Aristotle argued that women and children must be trained by education with an eye to the state, for children grow up to be citizens, and half the free persons in a state are women.

Montesquieu, a noted French statesman says: "The laws of education are the first impressions we receive, and as they prepare us for civil life, each particular family ought to be governed pursuant to the plan of that great family which governs them all." These arguments apply with force to governments of all kinds, but, most of all, do they apply to that form of government in which the people themselves do the governing.

A government of the people, for the people, and by the people, calls for a thorough education of each and every citizen in, at least, three things, viz.: He should understand his rights under government; he should understand his duties as related to those rights; and he should acquire that spirit which will lead him to insist upon those rights and perform those duties. Unless its citizens conform to this standard, that is, insist upon their rights, and discharge their duties to the state, a republic cannot long exist.

Should we not, then, earnestly labor to place our schools in such condition that every pupil who completes a course of study in our common schools, shall be well grounded in the principles which tend to good government?

As soon as a child is old enough to read history or geography with a fair degree of understanding, he should be instructed in the simple elements of government. Do not delay this instruction. Begin it early, that the child's knowledge may grow with his growth, and strengthen with his strength. Let him learn that each and every citizen has a right to a full and equal protection of the laws.

Teach him that these laws are necessary for the security of his life, liberty and prosperity, and that he can obtain protection only by respecting similar rights of others. Make him fully understand that any violation of the rights of others is an offence against the common good.

Teach him that the ballot is his weapon of defence; that he has a right to cast it without fear or favor, and that whoever prevents him from exercising this right does so at his peril. Teach him that it is not only his right, but his duty, to vote, and that when he fails to vote, he fails in his duty to the people and to himself, and fails to respect the government which protects him.

Impress upon his mind in the most solemn manner, that the duty to vote implies the duty to vote right, to vote for good men and good measures, and to vote honestly and fearlessly; that a vote cast for a bad man, or a bad measure, is an attack upon the rights of every person in the country.

Do not fail to leave in his mind the fact that, if the country has good government, the voters deserve the credit, and that, if a country has bad government, the voters deserve the blame. Teach him that the right of suffrage is one of great power and value, and is the basis of all free government, and should be jealously guarded as such; that good government and the prosperity and happiness of a country depend on an honest and intelligent vote.

Teach every child in our schools that the day when "might makes right" is past, that liberty and just laws are inseparable, and the reports of political corruption, with which our papers are filled from time to time, will become rapidly less and less, and in their place we shall have reports of prosperity and happiness from all quarters of the land.

When ladies go to buy a dress in Japan they tell the shopkeeper their age, and if they are married or not, because there are special designs for the single and double relations of life, as well as for ages. The consequence of this painful custom is, you can tell the age of every lady you meet, and know whether she is married, or you were a census taker.

For a pain in the chest a piece of Hannel damped with Chamberlain's Pain Balm and bound over the seat of the pain, and another on the back between the shoulders, will afford prompt relief. This is especially valuable in cases where the pain is caused by a cold and there is a tendency toward pneumonia. For sale by George A. Parker.

## KITTELY TO CARIBOU.

## One Week's Winnings of News, Novelty and Nonsense.

Already the public-spirited citizens of Belfast are talking of building a new hotel to replace Crosby Inn.

George S. Flood, a prominent business man of Waterville, died Tuesday of last week, aged fifty-nine years.

The ice harvest on the Hudson has commenced, and the golden dreams of Kennebecers are melting away.

A census of Indian Island, Old Town, shows that there are now 333 Indians on the island. During 1895 there were six deaths and ten births.

Feb. 18 and 19 are the dates appointed for the Maine G. A. R. department encampment at Bangor. It is expected that fully 600 delegates will be present.

The Maine Central is grading for a double track between Newport and Detroit, which, it is expected, will be in running condition in season for next summer's change of time.

The Windle City Cycle company has been organized at Portland for the buying and selling as well as the manufacturing of bicycles, with a capital stock of \$75,000, \$26,100 of which was paid in.

Mrs. Eliza A. Pinkham, of Milbridge, was 100 years old the seventh day of January. Her eye-sight and hearing are almost perfect. She is still able to read a newspaper by lamplight without the aid of glasses.

The total capacity of the ice houses on the Penobscot river is about 400,000 tons, and the ice men now have about 130,000 tons on hand which was carried over from last year. In some of the houses not a ton was shipped last summer. The ice in the river, at present, is in bad shape.

Maine leads the world on lobsters and clams, and only one state, Massachusetts, has greater sea fishing interests—and when it comes to inland fisheries, Massachusetts comes down here for them. Maine's income from the fishery trade is as much as three million dollars a year.—Leicester Journal.

Recently there passed through Bangor 2,500 pounds, or 40,000 ounces, of spruce gum gathered by Theodore Pooler, of Jackman. "Picking gum" is made quite an industry by some of the residents of the up-river towns, and in many cases it pays better than lumbering or any other occupation in the forest regions of the State. Good spruce gum is worth \$1 a pound, and there is always a ready market for it in any quantities.

In accordance with the joint resolution of Congress, Secretary Herbert last Thursday accepted the ram "Katahdin" in behalf of the government. The formalities were concluded with Gen. Hyde, president of the Bath Iron Works, the contractors for the vessel. The "Katahdin" will be turned over to the government at once and the finishing touches to her will be put on at the Brooklyn navy yard. It is expected that the "Katahdin" will be placed in commission in about ten days.

A Calais woman, in going to Cherryfield a few days ago, went by rail to Franklin Road, passing through Washington county, New Brunswick, Aroostook, Penobscot and Hancock counties. From Franklin Road she drove twenty-four miles into Washington county again, reaching her destination, fifty miles from where she started, and in the same county, after a railroad trip of some 200 miles and a carriage ride of twenty-four miles. Such incidents serve to whet the eagerness of Washington county people for that new railroad.

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No article ever attained to such unbounded popularity.—Salem Observer.



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[Under this head we shall publish each week three selections of choice reading matter intended to supplement the reading books in the public schools, and thus afford the teachers and scholars a variety otherwise unattainable. In every neighborhood there can probably be found a sufficient number of copies of THE AMERICAN to supply at least one class at a time, and we hope that teachers may find the matter of great benefit.]

GRADE IV—LESSON IX.  
RIVERMOUTH THEATER.

"Now, boys, what shall we do?" I asked, addressing a thoughtful cove of seven, assembled in our barn one dismal, rainy afternoon. "Let's have a theater," suggested Binny Wallace.

The very thing! But where? The loft of the stable was ready to burst with hay provided for Gypsy, but the long room over the carriage-house was unoccupied. The place of all places! My managerial eye saw at a glance its capabilities for a theater.

I had been to the play a great many times in New Orleans, and was wise in matters pertaining to the drama. So here, in due time, was set up some extraordinary scenery of my own painting. The curtain, I recollect, though it worked smoothly enough on other occasions, invariably hitched during the performances.

The theater, however, was a success, as far as it went. I retired from the business with no fewer than fifteen hundred pins, after deducting the headless, the pointless, and the crooked pins with which our door-keeper frequently got "stuck." From first to last we took in a great deal of this counterfeit money. The price of admission to the "Rivermouth Theatre" was twenty pins. I played all the principal characters myself, not that I was a finer actor than the other boys, but because I owned the establishment.

At the tenth representation, my dramatic career was brought to a close by an unfortunate circumstance. We were playing the drama of "William Tell, the Hero of Switzerland." Of course I was William Tell, in spite of Fred Langdon, who wanted to act that character himself. I wouldn't let him, so he withdrew from the company, taking the only bow and arrow we had.

I made a cross-bow out of a piece of whalebone, and did very well without him. We had reached that exciting scene where Gesler, the Austrian tyrant, commands Tell to shoot the apple from his son's head. Pepper Whitcomb, who played all the juvenile and women parts, was my son.

To guard against mischance, a piece of pasteboard was fastened by a handkerchief over the upper portion of Whitcomb's face, while the arrow to be used was sewed up in a strip of flannel. I was a capital marksman, and the big apple, only two yards distant, turned its russet cheek fairly towards me.

I can see poor little Pepper now, as he stood without flinching, waiting for me to perform my great feat. I raised the cross-bow amid the breathless silence of the crowded audience—consisting of seven boys and three girls, exclusive of Kitty Collins, who insisted on paying her way in with a clothes-pin. I raised the whipcord; but, alas! instead of hitting the apple, the arrow flew right into Pepper Whitcomb's mouth, which happened to be open at the time, and destroyed my aim.

I shall never be able to banish that awful moment from my memory. Pepper's roar, expressive of astonishment, indignation, and pain, is still ringing in my ears. I looked upon him as a corpse, and, glancing not far into the dreary future, pictured myself led forth to execution in the presence of the very same spectators then assembled.

Luckily, poor Pepper was not seriously hurt; but Grandfather Nutter, appearing in the midst of the confusion (attracted by the howls of young Tell), issued an injunction against all theatricals thereafter, and the place was closed; not, however, without a farewell speech from me, in which I said that this would have been the proudest moment of my life if I hadn't hit Pepper Whitcomb in the mouth. Whereupon the audience (assisted, I am glad to state, by Pepper) cried, "Hear! hear!"

I then attributed the accident to Pepper himself, whose mouth, being open at the instant I fired, acted upon the arrow much after the fashion of a whirlpool, and drew in the fatal shaft. I was about to explain how a comparatively small maelstrom could suck in the largest ship, when the curtain fell of its own accord, amid the shouts of the audience.

This was my last appearance on any stage. It was some time, though, before I heard the end of the William Tell business. Malicious little boys who hadn't been allowed to buy tickets to my theater used to cry out after me in the street,—"Who killed Cock Robin?"

GRADE III—LESSON IX.  
HOW SPONGES GROW.

Sponge grows in these under the water, on the rocks near the shore. If you should watch a pile of sponge with care, you would see now and then a jelly-like looking thing, resembling a drop of the white of an egg and somewhat the shape of a pear, but very small, fall off the side of an old sponge. This little bud is called a gemmule.

## Advertisements.

Beecham's pills for constipation 10¢ and 25¢. Get the book at your druggist's and go by it.

Annual sales more than 5,000,000 boxes.

Its rills and its gills;  
Through moss and through brake,  
It runs and it creeps  
For awhile, till it sleeps  
In its own little lake.

And thence at departing,  
Awakening and starting,  
I runs through the reeds,  
And away it proceeds,  
Through meadow and glade,  
In sun and in shade,  
And through the wood-shelter,  
Among crags in its hurry,  
Helter-skelter,  
Hurrying-skurry.

Here it comes sparkling,  
And there it lies darkling;  
Now smoking and frothing  
Its tumult and wrath in,  
Till, in this rapid race,  
On which it is bent,  
It reaches the place  
Of its steep descent.

The catraet strong  
Then plunges along,  
Striking and raging  
As if it was waging  
Its caverns and rocks among.

Rising and leaping,  
Slaking and creeping,  
Swelling and sweeping,  
Snowing and springing,  
Flying and flinging,  
Writhing and ringing,  
Eddying and whisking,  
Spouting and frisking,  
Turning and twisting,  
Around and around  
With endless rebound,  
Smiling and fighting,  
A sight to delight in;  
Confounding, astounding,  
Dizzily, and deafening the ear with its sound.

Collecting, projecting,  
Receding and speeding,  
And shocking and rocking,  
And darting and parting,  
And threading and spreading,  
And whirling and hissing,  
And dilly and skipping,  
And hitting and splitting,  
And shingling and twining,  
And rattling and battling,  
And shaking and quaking,  
And pouring and raving,  
And waving and raving,  
And tossing and crossing,  
And juggling and struggling,  
And heaving and cleaving,  
And moaning and groaning,  
And glittering and frittering,  
And gathering and feathering,  
And whitening and brightening,  
And quivering and shivering,  
And hurrying and skurrying,  
And thundering and floundering;

Dividing and gilding and sliding,  
And falling and brawling and sprawling,  
And driving and riving and striving,  
And sprinkling and twinkling and wrinkling;  
And thumping and ploughing and bumping and jumping,  
And dashing and flashing and splashing and clashing;  
And so never ending, but always descending,  
Sounds and motions forever and ever are blending,  
All at once and all over, with a mighty uproar,  
And this way the water comes down at Lodore.

—Abridged from Southey.

## Maine's Fish and Game.

The annual meeting of the Maine Sportsmen's association was held in Bangor Tuesday, Jan. 7.

The matter of prime interest connected with the meeting was the report of Secretary Farrington, who gave a comprehensive review of the results of the past year.

The supply of fish in State waters, according to Col. Farrington, is now good and promises a splendid season for the coming year. The policy of fish protection inaugurated by the commissioners should be continued. The outlook in the game field is not so encouraging, he said. The change in the partridge closed time has worked advantageously and there is evidently a good stock left in the woods for the winter, on which to build up a fine supply for next fall. A question of the future will be the prohibition of the sale of woodcock and partridge in the home markets.

About big game Col. Farrington said that there was need of improvement in the observance of the laws of protection. Many moose were still shot in September. He said that, strange to say, the guides and hunters of the State, many of whom depend upon the big game for their living, were very careless in their observance of the law, and should be taught respect for it. Deer and caribou were prospering pretty well, but all kinds of large game were suffering from the depredations of thoughtless law-breakers.

Col. Farrington recommended as propositions to be presented at the next legislature: separate appropriations for fish and game protection, and the extension of the continued close time on beavers, which will otherwise expire with the present year.

Hon. P. O. Vickery, of Auburn, was elected president of the association.

## Grand Encampment Reports.

In the journal of proceedings of the annual session of the grand encampment, I. O. F., of the State of Maine, Grand Patriarch George E. Kenworthy, Jr., makes the following reports of visitations to Ellsworth's encampment:

"January 31, I visited Wivurna, No. 47, of Ellsworth, at a special meeting, and found them in good condition, though not doing a great amount of work. They seemed to have the unwritten work unusually correct. They were expecting to build a hall this year, and thought it would give them quite a boom in the near future."

Harland E. Ward, district deputy grand patriarch for this, the fifteenth district, for the year ending Oct. 1895, reported as follows:

"I installed the officers in this district at the proper time, and while we have not made any great gain in our members

Not a few who read what Mr. Robert Rowls, of Holland, Va., has to say below, will remember their own experience under like circumstances: "Last winter I had a gripe which left me in a low state of health. I tried numerous remedies, none of which did me any good, until I was induced to try a bottle of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. The first bottle of it so far relieved me that I was enabled to attend to my work, and the second bottle effected a cure." For sale at 25¢ and 50¢ per bottle by George A. Parcher.

this year, we are in a fairly prosperous condition and are looking for better times and more work in the future. On our visit to Wivurna, 47, we witnessed the working of the royal purple degree, which was done in a very creditable manner, and I wish to congratulate them on the proficiency in their work. We also had the pleasure of a visit from our grand patriarch which was very instructive as well as a great pleasure to us, and we hope his successor will honor us with a visit."

Never frost or ice a fruit cake until ready to use it, as the frosting becomes discolored when allowed to stand for a long time.

Mrs. Surface—Come here, my little dear. What a nice, lovely, little girl you are! Tell me why you are so fond of that cat? Little Girl—Cause when she purrs I know she means it.

Farmer Hayrake—Did your son learn anything at college? Farmer Ostastaw—Yes; I gave him a hammer to mend the barn with, and he threw it so far I haven't been able to find it.

## Advertisements.

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Take it morning, noon and night, and it will cure you. I took the medicine as directed, but had no confidence in a cure, as my case had been tried by so many. After using it a week I began to feel better, and in a short while after that I was entirely cured. That terrible distress, everything I ate breaking up sour in my throat had all gone and I have not had a moment's discomfort since. To-day there isn't a healthier man and my appetite is grand."

## Legal Notices.

## STATE OF MAINE.

HANCOCK, ss.:—At a court of county commissioners begun and holden at Ellsworth with in and for the county of Hancock on the second Tuesday of October, a. d. 1895, and by adjournment December 26, a. d. 1895.

AND now the county commissioners in accordance with Section 32 of Chapter 111 of the Revised Statutes of Maine, having first made an annual inspection in the month of September, a. d. 1895, of all the county roads in the unincorporated and tracts of land in said county, and having thereupon made an estimate of the amount needed to put said roads in repair so as to be safe and convenient for public travel, have assessed upon the following described unincorporated townships and tracts of land in said county, exclusive of water and land reserved for public use for that purpose during the year 1896, as follows, to wit:

On township No. 8, South Division, we assess the sum of \$89.82, as follows: Rate of taxation, seven mills on a dollar.

Name of owner.	No. acres.	Val. \$.	Tax.
Seth Tidale,	300	\$150.00	\$1.05
C. S. Stover (or unknown),	61	61.00	.43
A. F. Burnham,	59	29.50	.20
"	40	40.00	.28
"	40	40.00	.28
"	30	30.00	.21
"	25	50.00	.35
"	95	95.00	.67
"	25	50.00	.35
"	25	50.00	.35

On township No. 28, Middle Division, in said county, estimated to contain 22,000 acres, we assess the sum of \$88.32 as follows: Rate of taxation, four mills on a dollar.

Name of owner.	No. acres.	Val. \$.	Tax.
Estate of Davis & Smith,	12,503	\$12,503.00	\$51.21
William M. Nash,	5,012	5,012.00	20.04
Gideon L. Joy,	4,000	4,000.00	16.13
Estate of J. W. Moore,	4,105	4,105.00	16.45

The foregoing amount is to be expended on the road leading from Aurora to Beddington, lying in said township No. 28, between the division line of land of H. M. Hall et al., and land formerly of William Freeman and Charles P. Silsby, of Aurora, is appointed agent to superintend the expenditure of said assessment.

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Name of owner.	No. acres.	Val. \$.	Tax.
Ezra Williams,	70	350.00	\$1.40
Edward McNeil,	70	350.00	\$1.40
Leonard Williams,	70	350.00	\$1.40
Thomas Lord,	70	350.00	\$1.40
King Jackson,	70	350.00	\$1.40
George Williams,	70	350.00	\$1.40
Frank Mace,	70	350.00	\$1.40
John J. Archer,	70	350.00	\$1.40
John Williams,	70	350.00	\$1.40
James Collier,	70	350.00	\$1.40
J. M. Williams,	70	350.00	\$1.40
John Laughlin,	70	350.00	\$1.40
Elvira W. Jones,	70	350.00	\$1.40
Estate of B. Crosby,	70	350.00	\$1.40
W. B. Collier,	70	350.00	\$1.40
John R. Shuman,	70	350.00	\$1.40
W. F. M. Shuman formerly H. B. Shuman,	20,000	20,000.00	\$88.32
N. R. Collier,	41	205.00	.82
Edward McNeil,	41	205.00	.82
Henry McKee of unknown,	41	205.00	.82
Maynard Linton,	41	205.00	.82
William McPhee,	41	205.00	.82
George H. Garland,	41	205.00	.82
Henry Folsom,	41	205.00	.82
Frederic Williams,	41	205.00	.82
Whitcomb, Haynes & Co.,	160	800.00	.33

The foregoing amount is to be expended on the county road in said township No. 28, and John R. Shuman, of said township No. 28, is appointed agent to superintend the expenditure of said assessment.

The foregoing assessments shall be published in the State paper and in THE ELLSWORTH AMERICAN, Ellsworth, Maine, Dec. 31, a. d. 1895.

F. B. Aiken, Clerk of County.  
PERRY W. RICHARDSON, of  
NAHUM HINCKLEY, of Hancock Co.  
Attorneys.  
Attest—JOHN F. KNOWLTON, Clerk.

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE.  
WHEREAS, Wesley Oliver, late of Hancock, in the county of Hancock and State of Maine, by his mortgage deed, dated the 21st day of March, 1887, and recorded in book 260, page 197, of the Registry of Deeds for Hancock county, Maine, conveyed in mortgage to Fred Preston, of said county, a certain parcel of land situated in the town of Hancock, in the county of Hancock, Maine, and described as follows, to wit: Beginning at the west side of the town road and on the north side of the Isaac Smith lot, thence running west eight rods on said line to land owned by said Wooster, thence running north by said Wooster's land thirty-two rods to a stake and stones, thence north to the town road, owned by said Wooster, thence north to the town road, thence southerly by the town road to the first-mentioned bound, containing two acres, more or less, including the buildings thereon, and being the same premises conveyed to me by Crosby Y. Wooster by deed recorded in vol. 197, page 490, of the Hancock Registry of Deeds, and whereas, the said Fred Preston, by his assignment dated the 23d day of November, a. d. 1895, assigned and transferred said mortgage and the debt thereby secured to Hannah M. Goff, of said county, and whereas, said assignment is recorded in book 288, page 3, of the Registry of Deeds of said Hancock county; and whereas, the condition of said mortgage is, to wit: "I, the said Wesley Oliver, do hereby give and warrant, therefore, by reason of the breach of the condition thereof, I hereby claim a foreclosure of said mortgage and give this notice of my intention to foreclose the same as is provided by statute."

Dated this 7th day of January, a. d. 1896.  
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## COUNTY NEWS.

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**Southwest.**  
Mrs. George C. Lyman is quite ill. C. A. Dumbler and wife are receiving congratulations on the birth of a son. Capt. and Mrs. E. V. Bennett entertained their friends at duplicate whist on Saturday evening.

Mr. Wansley, who has been teaching the grammar school at West Sullivan, will continue his labor as teacher of the high school, which will open Jan. 20.

The annual meeting of the Seneca was held at the house of Mrs. C. A. Sullivan for the purpose of electing officers for the ensuing year. The following officers were elected: Mrs. C. A. Sullivan, president; Mrs. G. E. Wilson, vice-president; Mrs. A. J. Wilson, secretary; Mrs. G. C. Chapman, treasurer.

Thomas Mitchell, one of the contractors for the Washington county railroad, was in town on Friday of last week looking over the survey for the route. As the charter specifies that a bridge shall not be built to cross the river within the limit of one mile from the established ferry, C. P. Simpson, C. E. was put on to survey the limit and find it to be as far west as E. B. Bunker's place at West Sullivan.

**South Gloucestershire.**  
Henry Hammond has returned from Boston.

G. W. Sargent is recovering from a severe illness.

Miss Ella Sargent has returned from West Sullivan.

Rufus Bunker has been quite ill but is now improving.

The young people have been enjoying the fine skating on the "lily pond."

Miss Emma Bunker, of West Gloucestershire, has been the guest of Miss Florence Sargent the past week.

Owing to the illness of Miss Carroll, the teacher, opening of school has been postponed until her recovery.

Jan. 12. S. M. R.

Brook's Mills cure Liver, Kid, Biliousness, Indigestion, Headache. A pleasant medicine. All Druggists - Adm.

## COUNTY NEWS.

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**South.**  
E. S. Scammon began teaching high school here last Monday, Jan. 6.

Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Day express their thanks to the thoughtful young people, to whom they are indebted for the gift-received from the Christmas tree.

A large company of Barry friends were present at the Baptist paragon Wednesday, Jan. 1, to celebrate the tenth anniversary of the marriage of Rev. H. F. Day and Mary McKee. Valuable gifts were left. Mr. and Mrs. Day feel they can truly call the Barry people strong friends. Tuesday, Dec. 20, was the anniversary day, but to accommodate the East Bluehill church and other friends, Mr. and Mrs. Day decided to be in East Bluehill, where, at Capt. John Miller's, a large company was entertained. Here, too, valuable tokens were presented, and E. S. Scammon making the presentation speech. Mr. and Mrs. Day express their appreciation of Capt. and Mrs. Miller's kindness in opening their elegant home to them, and to Mrs. Young, their daughter, and Mrs. Riddon, their granddaughter, for their assistance.

Jan. 2. R. E.

C. A. society will meet with Mrs. George Warren Wednesday evening.

Miss Flora Frances Milliken has returned to Mt. Desert to resume her teaching.

The Baptist church is progressing finely. Work on the outside is nearly done.

Howard Milliken has finished his school at Mt. Desert, and is soon to come home for the winter.

Miss Fannie Louise Allen pleasantly entertained a large number of her friends Friday, Jan. 2.

There is to be a cake and coffee social under the auspices of the L. O. of G. T. this evening. An invitation has been extended to Executive Lodge of East Sary.

Jan. 12. S. M. R.

**South Barry.**  
L. C. Carter has rented A. L. Trevelyan's store at Barry.

E. M. Cunningham, wife and family are home from Quarryville.

Edward Candage, wife and family are up from Black Island on a visit.

Bertie Greenlaw, wife and daughter, of Bluehill, are visiting at Lewis Carter's.

Ask Carter and Henry Black have gone to South Norridgewood to work at some cutting.

L. E. Grignon, whose family is spending the winter at Morgan's Bay, is teaching school in St. George, Knox county.

Schooner "Benevolence" Capt. Trevelyan, dragged her anchor, and went ashore at the head of Morgan's Bay in Tuesday's gale. She was not seriously damaged.

Jan. 6. S. M. R.

**East Barry.**  
The many friends of Mrs. Augustus H. Andrews in Ellsworth and Barry will be pleased to hear that her son, Charles Herbert, has been appointed to a position in the Salem (Mass.) national bank.

**Penobscot.**  
Very little wood is being cut for the market.

Notwithstanding the hard times, our efficient collector and treasurer are satisfying the current demands upon the town with commendable promptness.

The schools closed for the year Friday, Jan. 3. The winter term, as a whole, have been unusually prosperous. Good order, good attendance, and excellent progress have marked the term. Some of the best teachers from Penobscot, Brooksville, Orono, Lamoine and Franklin have had charge of them.

Two terms of free high school opened Monday, Jan. 13—one at North Penobscot, of which Miss Annie Leach, of Penobscot, a graduate of Orono normal school and Kent's Hill seminary, and a very successful teacher, is in charge, and the other at South Penobscot, under the tuition of Henry Fletcher, of South Paris, a graduate of Bowdoin college, who comes highly recommended as a teacher of experience and ability.

Jan. 2. H.

Two high schools commence on Monday, Jan. 13.

Mr. Fletcher is getting out some fine boat timber.

Paul Perkins is getting out a fine family monument.

A daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. Francis Perkins, Jan. 7.

Herbert Leach is at his old home, North Penobscot, on a week's visit. He resides in Brookton, Mass. His father, Hiram Leach, expects to return with him.

Dr. Parsons, of Ellsworth, has established himself at South Penobscot. He comes highly recommended as a young man of promising attainments in his profession, and an excellent character, and no doubt in time will work up a large practice.

Judson Gray, one of our most respected citizens, passed away Jan. 8, after a long illness. On Thursday his remains were taken to Ellsworth for interment, where his relatives reside. Mr. Gray has been a resident of this place for more than a quarter of a century, and secured the confidence and esteem of the community by his sterling integrity. He was a loyal democrat and kept well informed in regard to current events of the day, but was never aggressive or offensive in the assertion of his views. He was an example of industry, economy, honesty and manliness.

Jan. 12. H.

**Rockport.**  
The 300-ton schooner "Charles H. Fabens," of Salem, Mass., built in Rockport in 1874, was wrecked on Dog Island, near St. Martin, W. I., Dec. 24. She went ashore in a fog.

Jan. 14. S. P. E.

**Children Cry for Pitcher's Castoria.**

## East Lamoine.

Capt. George Pierce, of Seal Harbor, has been in town the past few days, visiting his daughter, Mrs. Frank Hancock.

The storm of last Tuesday was the most severe known for years. Much damage was done to the steamboat wharf and other property along the shore.

Capt. F. L. Wainwright, pilot of the steamer "Mt. Desert," arrived home recently. He will remain until the boat resumes her usual trips in the spring.

Tuesday evening, Dec. 20, Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Hodgkins celebrated the twenty-fifth anniversary of their marriage. Although the weather was unfavorable about fifty friends and neighbors were present, and the evening was spent very pleasantly. Mr. and Mrs. Hodgkins were the recipients of many useful and valuable gifts, many being sent by former neighbors and residents in New Hampshire and Massachusetts.

Jan. 6. H.

**North Lamoine.**  
Edward Young returned to Sumner and Tuesday.

Mrs. Everett Salisbury, of Seal Harbor, is visiting her parents and other relatives in this vicinity.

Raymond McFarland, who has been at home for the holidays, left last Monday to resume his studies at Amherst.

Batue Hodgkins and Fred Austin went to Eastbrook last week fishing and returned with a fine string of pickerel.

Miss Edwards, the evangelist, left here last Wednesday for Ellsworth, where she expects to labor with Rev. Mr. Mason for a few days, after which she will go to East Bluehill.

Jan. 12. Y.

**West Hancock.**  
The West Hancock Sunday school has been discontinued until the spring.

Bernhard and George Abbott, who have been employed at Seal Harbor, are at home for a while.

Lyndon Bridges has returned to his home in the West. He was accompanied by his brother Irving, who will stay for an indefinite time.

Walter Butler, who has been employed at Duck Brook, was thrown from a horse, and has been lame since during the past two days. Dr. Manning attends him.

Jan. 12. S. M. R.

**Franklin Road.**  
E. A. Mansfield, of Jonesport, was in town last week.

Neg Killman went to Dexter Friday, returning Saturday.

George Stewart while gunning Friday fell and sprained his ankle.

E. L. Kingman and wife and Malcolm George attended the Odd Fellows' social at Ellsworth Friday evening.

Jan. 12. K.

**Sagadahoc.**  
The gale and high tide Tuesday did more or less damage to wharves and tenails in the harbor.

The annual meeting of "Chapel circle" was held on Thursday evening. The officers elected were: President, Mrs. Harriet Sargent; vice-president, Mrs. M. E. Spooner; secretary, Miss Angie E. Spooner; treasurer, J. N. Sargent. The organization is clear of debt, with a balance of \$25 in treasury.

Jan. 6. A. H. S.

H. W. Sargent left Thursday for Boston.

Miss Mattie Sargent left Thursday for Washington, D. C., for a few weeks' visit.

Capt. L. J. Sargent left home Saturday to join a steamer in New York for Southern ports. He is to act as purser.

Jan. 12. A. H. S.

**Seal Harbor.**  
Winter term of school closed at Seal Harbor, Jan. 10. Those not absent during the term were: Grace Rice, Nettie Crane, Henry Crane, Emma Crane, Ned Rice, Arthur Rice, Ralph Temple, Fred Crane, Blanche Hancock, Grace Bunker, Frank Rice, Fanny Lindsay, Lois Hancock, Shirley Crane, Carlton Joy, Lester Crane, Silvia Pettes. Those absent one day or less, Sybil Handy, Lois Rice, Sylvanus Pettes. Whole number registered, 41; average attendance, 37.

Jan. 11. S. P. E.

**West Gloucestershire.**  
F. P. Noyes' saw mill is running every day now sawing shingles. F. T. Wood does the sawing and Angee Stevens banches.

W. M. Peckham and bride, who have been spending a few days with N. S. Kingsley and wife, of this place, have returned to their home in Northeast Harbor.

The ice in Jones pond, which reached a thickness of eight inches, broke up completely during the last thaw, but the cold snap of Saturday covered the surface again with a mirror-like coating of ice.

Jan. 6. S.

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## January Clearing Sale AT M. GALLERT'S.

Our annual clearing sale is looked forward to by all customers with a great deal of interest. We only announce a Clearance Sale once a year, and this during January. All odds and ends and all surplus of stock accumulated during the year, we dispose of during this sale, regardless of cost. This sale is usually a money-saver to our customers, and those who have waited for this sale will not be disappointed.

## Every Department has Special Bargains.

We recommend all to avail themselves of the opportunity we offer to save money on their purchases, and secure some of the bargains.

## DRESS GOODS. House-Keeping Goods.

## The Whole Line at Reduced Prices.

The following are a few special bargains which we offer during this sale. The list is small and will go quickly.

About 10 yds. of black fancy crepe consisting of crepe and rough effects, goods we retailed at \$1 and \$1.50 per yd., our present price is—

About 12 yds. of light crepe dress patterns, \$1.50 and \$2.00 were our former prices, now—

25 yds. of India wools, 6 in. wide, all colors—our former price, now—

25 yds. of light crepe dress patterns, \$1.50 and \$2.00 were our former prices, now—

Another lot similar, reduced from \$1.50 to—

## SILKS.

To clear up our silk stock suitable for waists, trimmings and dresses, we offer them in two lots—one at \$1.50—the other at \$1.00, or about half price.

## Cloak Department.

All goods in this department, ready-made Ladies', Men's and Children's Cloaks. Fur and Cashmere, at the disposal of our customers at their own price. Every garment must be sold at some price during this sale. We quote for the present the following prices for the same.

Three usually sold for \$10, marked down to—

Three usually sold for \$15 to \$20, marked down to—

Three usually sold for \$25 to \$30, marked down to—

A. W. have sold a coat of them the last week and others will be sold.

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